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Report of the Town Clerk

TOWN OFFICERS ELECTED

MODERATOR

A. Dudley Bagley

SELECTMEN

Willard A. Greer Earle S. Bagley Hollis Hathaway

TOWN CLERK

Robert A. Copeland

TOWN TREASURER

William H. Millington

TAX COLLECTOR

Clement J. Altmiller

BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

Clare F. Creighton Lilla A. Seaver Francis N. Boutelle

ASSESSORS

Joseph R. Arlin	Term Expires 1940
Walter D. Farrar	Term Expires 1941
Benjamin P. Poor	Term Expires 1942

COMMITTEE FOR THE SUPPRESSION OF THE SALE OF INTOXICATING LIQUOR

Willard A. Greer Earle S. Bagley Hollis Hathaway

BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS

Hollis Hathaway	Term Expires 1940
Hamilton R. Bailey	Term Expires 1941
Ira D. Carleton	Term Expires 1942

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Ellen M. Whitcomb	Term Expires 1940
Ruth M. Marshall	Term Expires 1940
Cornelius P. Keefe	Term Expires 1941
Harry A. Morrison	Term Expires 1941
Roswell A. Lancey	Term Expires 1942
Bertha B. Rich	Term Expires 1942

CONSTABLES

Howard B. Morse Richard A. Keefe

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Evelyn L. Warren	Term Expires 1940
Robert G. Fessenden	Term Expires 1941
Carl B. Willard	Term Expires 1942

BOARD OF HEALTH

Richard S. Ely Melora E. Proctor Lester R. Spofford

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

Abbott C. Hodgman	Term Expires 1940
John W. Livingston	Term Expires 1941
Eneas C. Morgan	Term Expires 1942

TRUSTEES OF THE JAMES H. TUCKER FUND

Richard S. Ely Eva M. Ely Clarence W. Sherwin

TREE WARDEN

William W. Copeland

PARK COMMISSIONERS

John J. Piper	Term Expires 1940
Albert J. Atwood	Term Expires 1941
Robert G. Fessenden	Term Expires 1942

TOWN OFFICERS APPOINTED

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

Gertrude S. Copeland

TOWN COUNSEL

Earle S. Bagley

POLICE

Howard B. Morse, Chief

Arthur Koykka

Howard L. Doran

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

Stephen W. Keefe	Term Expires 1940
John E. O'Brien	Term Expires 1941
Julia H. Altmiller	Term Expires 1942

BUREAU OF OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Lilla A. Seaver Clare F. Creighton Hugh R. Thatcher

FOREST WARDEN

Harry C. Felch

BOARD OF ENGINEERS

Robert G. Fessenden	Anthony Perina
Edward F. Hale	Benjamin P. Poor
Leon C. Marshall	Louis A. Welch

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS AND SLAUGHTERING

Lyman A. Cook

SOLDIERS' BURIAL AGENT

Ralph T. Kilbourn

FIELD DRIVERS

James Cook

Beniah H. Savage

PUBLIC WEIGHERS

Roy A. Elliott
F. N. Davis
A. J. O'Brien
T. J. Harvey
G. B. Richardson
Elwin C. Shepherd
Lester R. Spofford

CULLERS OF HOOPS AND STAVES

N. J. McGuire
Fred Rockwood

SURVEYORS OF WOOD BARK AND LUMBER

L. Z. Watkins
W. J. Stewart
E. B. Morse
G. B. Richardson
B. H. Savage
A. B. Wyman
Howard Doran
Clarence Wyman
Harold Amadon

FENCE VIEWERS

Waldo Newell
Beniah H. Savage

SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

Dr. Henry B. Boynton

MOTH SUPERINTENDENT

William W. Copeland

SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS

Benjamin P. Poor

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Ralph T. Kilbourn

TOWN FOREST COMMITTEE

Irving A. Seaver	Term Expires 1940
Francis N. Boutelle	Term Expires 1941
Kenneth K. Mackey	Term Expires 1942

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Anthony Perina	Term Expires 1940
Vincent J. Vallette	Term Expires 1940
Charles T. Neill	Term Expires 1941
Frank L. Miller	Term Expires 1942
Clarence L. Webster	Term Expires 1942

COMMITTEE IN CHARGE OF THE AMANDA E. DWIGHT ENTERTAINMENT FUND

Timothy E. Flarity	Term Expires 1940
Mrs. Agnes Sherwin	Term Expires 1940
Carl B. Willard	Term Expires 1941
Mrs. Carl B. Willard	Term Expires 1941
Robert A. Copeland	Term Expires 1942
John J. Piper	Term Expires 1942

LICENSED UNDERTAKER

Ernest G. Wilson

JUNK DEALERS

Philip Winthrop Thomas Legasse Isaac Flaum

HACKNEY LICENSE

S. H. Bohanon

Annual Town Meeting

March 6, 1939

Pursuant to the warrant the annual meeting was held on the above date in Memorial Hall. The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, A. Dudley Bagley, Jr., at 8 o'clock A. M. The Town Clerk read the warrant to Article 1. As there was no objection, further reading of the warrant was omitted.

The ballot clerks and tellers as sworn in were Nellie Smith, Agnes Sherwin, Mildred Fagan, Charles Johnson, Ella Wilder, Joseph Arlin, Dorothy Keefe, Harold Creighton, Annie Bailey, Mary Waitt, Margaret Higgins, Melora Proctor and Katherine Keefe.

The polls were declared open at 8:05 A. M.

At 11 o'clock the meeting in the auditorium was again called to order by the Moderator. There being only seven present, motion was made to adjourn until 1:30 o'clock P. M. It was so voted.

At 1:30 o'clock the meeting was again called to order by the Moderator. As there was no objection the full reading of the warrant was again omitted. Action on the articles was as follows:

Article 1. Voted to authorize the Selectmen to appoint all officers of the town not required to be elected by ballot.

Article 2. Voted to accept the printed reports of officers and committees of the town.

Article 3. Voted to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year

beginning January 1, 1939, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew a note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44 of the General Laws.

Article 4. Voted to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow a sum of money, not to exceed $15,000.00 in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year of 1940, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, of the General Laws.

Article 5. Voted to authorize the Board of Selectmen to act as agents to prosecute and defend all suits in behalf of the town, with power to employ Counsel.

Article 6. Voted to authorize the Selectmen to act as a committee for the suppression of vice and to prosecute the illegal sale of intoxicating liquors in this town.

Article 7. Voted that the money refunded to the town on account of dog licenses be used for the Public Library.

Article 8. Action on the budget followed as listed. The Moderator announced that appropriations as voted would be expended under the direction of the heads of the several departments.

BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS

General Government

Moderator	$ 10.00
Selectmen's salaries	550.00
Selectmen's expense	100.00
Treasurer's salary	400.00
Treasurer's expense	250.00
Tax Collector's salary	500.00
Tax Collector's expense	300.00

Accountant's salary	500.00
Accountant's expense	40.00
Town Clerk's salary	100.00
Town Clerk's expense	50.00
Town Counsel	100.00
Assessors, services and expense	600.00
Election and registration	250.00
Memorial Hall	1,200.00
Seminary Hall	100.00
Certifying Town Notes	20.00

Protection of Persons and Property

Police	1,800.00
Firemen's salaries	1,135.00
Fire department expense	800.00
Forest fires	500.00
Moth suppression	400.00
Tree Warden	100.00
Pruning elms	100.00
Sealer of weights and measures	90.00
Bounties	10.00

Health and Sanitation

Board of Health	150.00
Vital Statistics	70.00
Nashoba Health District	680.00
Town Nurse	800.00
Inspection of meat and animals	60.00
Dog Officer	50.00
Vaccine for rabies	50.00
Town dump	125.00

Highways

Bridges and Village streets	1,000.00
Snow removal	2,500.00
Street lighting	1,749.45

Public Welfare

Salaries of Board	500.00
Expense of Board	100.00
Relief	4,500.00
Infirmary	2,000.00
Old Age Assistance	14,000.00
Aid to Dependent Children	1,730.00

Soldier's Benefits

Soldiers' relief and military aid	200.00
State aid	240.00

Schools

General expense and Vocational education	32,200.00
Vocational tuition	75.00

Library

General expense	823.71

Recreation and Unclassified

West Townsend Reading Room	100.00
Parks	25.00
Band Concerts	200.00
Memorial Day	100.00
Compensation insurance	650.00
Town reports	309.00
Miscellaneous account	200.00
Reserve fund	2,000.00

Cemeteries

General and annual care	600.00
Soldiers' Graves	200.00

Water Department

Annual maintenance	3,600.00

Hydrant service	3,480.00	
Interest		
General account	250.00	
On water bonds	3,942.50	
Maturing Debt		
Water bond issue	5,000.00	
Water extensions	1,000.00	
TOTAL BUDGET ITEMS		$ 95,264.66

APPROPRIATIONS UNDER ARTICLES

Art. 9 Highways, Chap. 81	5,325.00	
Art. 10 Highways, Chap. 90, Main.	2,000.00	
Art. 11 Highways, Chap. 90, Const.	100.00	
Art. 13 County Tuberculosis Hosp.	1,225.76	
Art. 14 Memorial Hall shingling	900.00	
Art. 15 Howard Park damage	220.00	
Art. 17 Historical Papers	90.00	
Art. 20 Tires, Harbor truck	140.00	
Art. 24 School repairs, Skylight	250.00	
Art. 25 School repairs, Drain	600.00	
Art. 26 School repairs, Painting	1,150.00	
Art. 37A Snow removal old bill	6.80	
Total appropriations under articles		$ 12,007.56
Add budget appropriations		95,264.66
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS, March 6, 1939		$107,272.22

Article 9. Voted to instruct the Selectmen to enter into a contract with the Department of Public Works, Division of Highways, that a portion of the sum available under provisions of Chapter 81 of the General Laws, as amended, be appropriated and expended in Townsend; and that the town raise and appropriate the sum of $5,325.00 as its share of the amount to be expended under this contract.

Article 10. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $2,000.00 for the improvement of the Lunenburg Road to the New Hampshire line, the Mason and Warren Roads; said sum, or any portion thereof, to be allotted to the State or County, or both for this purpose.

Articles 11 and 31. At this time it was voted to take action on Article 11 and Article 31 under one vote which was as follows: Voted to appropriate $1,900.00 from the State Highway Fund provided by Chapter 2, Acts of 1939, and raise and appropriate the sum of $100 in the tax levy of the current year for the purpose of continuing the construction of the Warren Road toward the Lunenburg line, and the Mason Road, sometimes called the Old Fitchburg Road, toward Lunenburg, and authorize the Selectmen to enter into agreements with the Department of Public Works and the County Commissioners for allotments for these roads as Chapter 90 projects.

Article 12. Voted that the town keep the roads passable for automobiles so far as practicable during the winter of 1939 and 1940.

Article 13. Voted that the sum of $500.00, this being the town's share of the principal of the Middlesex County Tuberculosis Hospital Funding Loan, Acts of 1932, bonds maturing in 1939, be and the same is hereby appropriated, and that a further sum of $74.37 be and hereby is appropriated on account of interest and other charges on account thereof. That a further sum of $651.39 be and hereby is appropriated for the town's share of the net cost of care, maintenance, and repairs of the Middlesex County Hospital, including interest on temporary notes issued therefor, in accordance with sections of Chapter 111 of the General Laws applicable thereto, including Chapter 400, Section 25 G(6) (a) of the Acts of 1936, the whole amounting to $1,225.76.

Article 14. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $900.00 to shingle a part of the roof of Memorial Hall.

Article 15. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $220.00 to be used in repairing the hurricane damage in Howard Park; the money to be expended under the direction of the Park Commissioners.

Article 16. Voted that a committee of five citizens be appointed by the Moderator to investigate the advisability of relocating street lights and the necessity of additional lights. The committee appointed was:

Willard A. Greer, Representing the Selectmen
Stephen E. Ball, Representing Townsend Harbor
Fred N. Davis, Representing Townsend Center
Roger W. Sherwin, Representing West Townsend
Frank R. Dailey, Representing Town at large

Article 17. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $90.00 to be added to the balance of previous appropriations for the purpose of putting into permanent form certain valuable historical papers belonging to the town; and that this money be expended under the direction of the committee already appointed for this purpose.

Article 18. Voted to transfer the sum of $393.55 from the Road Machinery Fund to the Road Machinery Account.

Article 19. Voted to authorize the Accountant to transfer the sum of $315.88 from the Surplus Overlay Reserve to the Overlay Account of 1935 for the abatement of taxes of that year.

Article 20. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $140.00 to buy new tires for the fire truck at Townsend Harbor.

Article 21. The motion to raise and appropriate the sum of $16.35 for a street light near the property of the late Cyrus W. Lane on Main Street, Townsend Harbor, was lost.

Article 22. The motion to raise and appropriate the sum of $1,200.00 to extend the water main of Highland street from the present main to the residence of Arthur Borneman, provided that the Works Progress Administration agrees to contribute a sum sufficient to cover all labor costs on the projects, was lost.

Article 23. Voted to pass the article. (See action on Article 30).

Article 24. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $250.00 to repair the skylight at the Spaulding Memorial School.

Article 25. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $600.00 to construct a drain on the Spaulding Memorial School grounds provided that the Works Progress Administration agrees to contribute a sum sufficient to cover all labor costs on the project.

Article 26. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $1,150.00 to do the necessary painting at the Spaulding Memorial School.

Article 27. The following motion was presented under this article: That the town increase the salaries of its school teachers at the rate of 6% of their present pay, and that there be raised and appropriated for this purpose the sum of $435.00 for the year 1939, said increase to be effective after September 1, 1939.

After much discussion it was voted to lay this motion on the table. A standing vote was taken, those voting yes were 81, those voting no were 67.

Article 28. A motion was made to pass the article. A standing vote was taken, those voting yes were 80 and those voting no were 64.

Article 29. After discussion it was voted that a committee be appointed by the Moderator to investigate the condition of the bridge over the Squanicook River known as Tighe's Bridge and report recommendations at a future meeting. Committee appointed was Galen A. Proctor, Hollis Hathaway and John Rutherford.

Article 30. Motion was made that action on this article be taken by a Yes and No ballot using the check list. A standing vote was taken. Those voting Yes were 46. Those voting No were 88.

The following motion was then presented: That the town vote to have a permanent police officer, said officer to be designated as a night officer but with duties as traffic officer at the Spaulding Memorial School, and with such other hours of duty as may be prescribed by the Board of Selectmen, including call duty for all hours of the day and night; and that the sum of $1,456.00 be raised and appropriated for this purpose; and that the sum of $344.00 be raised and appropriated for additional Police Department expense the whole amounting to $1,800.00. A standing vote was taken after much discussion. Those voting Yes were 99 and those voting No were 43.

Article 31. Previous action was taken on this article with Article 11.

Article 32. Voted to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow the sum of $2,500.00 on Tax Titles under the provisions of Chapter 49, Acts of 1933, as amended, the proceeds of the loan to be used for ordinary maintenance expenses.

Article 33. Voted to appropriate from the present balance on the Cemetery Sale of Lots Fund the sum of $200.00 to be used for the development and improvement of the new

sections and additions in the cemeteries at West Townsend and Townsend Center.

Article 34. Voted to accept from Sarah L. Copeland the sum of $100.00 in trust, the income therefrom to be expended for the perpetual care of the Thomas M. Copeland lot in Hillside Cemetery, Lot 60A, Section 5.

Article 35. Voted to accept from Rowland Haynes the additional sum of $100.00, in trust, the income therefrom to be expended for the perpetual care of the Charles T. Haynes lot in Hillside Cemetery, Lot 21, Section 5.

Article 36. A motion to authorize the Cemetery Commissioners to remove the iron fence in front of Hillside Cemetery was lost. A standing vote was taken, 15 voting Yes and 65 voting No.

Article 37. Voted to accept from George T. Powell the sum of $100.00 in trust, the income therefrom to be expended for the perpetual care of the G. T. and G. E. Powell lots in Hillside Cemetery, Section 7, Lots 19A and 19.

Article 37A. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $6.80 to reimburse Emery L. Wyman for shovelling snow in previous years.

Article 38. At this time Walter D. Farrar, Assessor, reported that the Assessors' Map Project of Townsend was in Washington for approval.

The polls were closed at 4 o'clock P. M.

At 5:30 P. M., counting of the ballots being completed, the following results were announced by the Moderator and the meeting adjourned.

ANNUAL ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Moderator

A. Dudley Bagley, Jr.	422
Additional	2
Blanks	95

Selectmen

Earle S. Bagley	407
Donald E. Domina	103
Willard A. Greer	413
Hollis Hathaway	394
Additional	4
Blanks	236

Town Clerk

Robert A. Copeland	487
Blanks	32

Treasurer

William H. Millington	453
Blanks	66

Tax Collector

Clement J. Altmiller	467
Blanks	52

Assessor

Benjamin P. Poor	383
Additional	4
Blanks	132

Constables

Howard L. Doran	263
Richard A. Keefe	286

Howard B. Morse	320
Additional	1
Blanks	168

Tree Warden

William W. Copeland	455
Additional	1
Blanks	63

Board of Health

Richard S. Ely	438
Melora E. Proctor	407
Lester R. Spofford	401
Additional	1
Blanks	310

Board of Public Welfare

Francis N. Boutelle	391
Clare F. Creighton	422
Lilla M. Seaver	394
Blanks	350

School Committee, For three years

Roswell A. Lancey	438
Bertha B. Rich	404
Additional	3
Blanks	193

School Committee, For one year

Ruth M. Marshall	399
Additional	3
Blanks	117

Trustee of Public Library For three years

Carl B. Willard	427

Additional	1
Blanks	91

Park Commissioner For three years

Robert G. Fessenden	431
Blanks	88

Cemetery Commissioner, For three years

Eneas C. Morgan	406
Additional	5
Blanks	108

Water Commissioner, For three years

Ira D. Carleton	361
Louis A. Welch	112
Blanks	46

Trustees James H. Tucker Fund

Richard S. Ely	427
Eva M. Ely	413
Clarence W. Sherwin	407
Blanks	310

The total ballots cast was 519.

A true Copy. Attest:

ROBERT A. COPELAND,

Town Clerk.

Special Town Meeting

December 30, 1939.

Article 1. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from Surplus Revenue a sum of money to be used for painting the water tank inside and out, or take any action relating thereto.

Article 2. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from Surplus Revenue a sum of money to be used for overhauling and repairing the Diesel engine, or take any action relating thereto.

Article 3. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from Surplus Revenue the sum of $1,500 for special expense incurred under the Works Progress Administration, or take any action relating thereto.

Article 4. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from Surplus Revenue, the sum of $1,500 to repair the Canal Bridge at Townsend Harbor, or take any action relating thereto.

Article 5. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from Surplus Revenue a sum of money for the purchase of new hose, and repairs to the fire apparatus, or take any action relating thereto.

Article 6. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from Surplus Revenue the sum of $3,000 for the rental and purchase of Road Machinery, or take any action relating thereto.

Article 7. To see if the town will vote to appropriate

from Surplus Revenue the sum of $197.89 for Welfare relief bill for 1934, 1935, 1936 and 1937, or take any action relating thereto.

Article 8. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from Surplus Revenue the sum of $1,000 for necessary painting, repairs and purchase of sanding machine and spray gun at Spaulding Memorial School or take any action relating thereto.

Article 9. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from Surplus Revenue a sum of money to be used for repairing tomb-houses and regrading several lots in Hillside Cemetery, or take any action relating thereto.

Article 10. To see if the town will vote to transfer the proceeds of the Tax Title Loan of $2,500, incurred in 1939, to be used for ordinary maintenance expenses in 1940, and by the assessors for the reduction of the tax rate.

Given under our hands, this twenty-second day of December, A. D. 1939.

WILLARD A. GREER
EARLE S. BAGLEY
HOLLIS HATHAWAY
Selectmen of Townsend.

Pursuant to the warrant a special town meeting was held in Memorial Hall on December 30, 1939 at 7:30 o'clock, P. M. The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, A. Dudley Bagley, Jr. The Town Clerk read the warrant and action on the articles was as follows:

Article 1. Voted that the town appropriate from Surplus Revenue the sum of $800.00 to be used for painting the water tank inside and out.

Article 2. Voted that the town appropriate from Surplus Revenue the sum of $200.00 to be used for overhauling and repairing the Diesel engine at the pumping station.

Article 3. Voted that the town appropriate from Surplus Revenue the sum of $1,500.00 for special expense to be incurred under the Works Progress Administration.

Article 4. Voted that the town appropriate from Surplus Revenue the sum of $1,500.00 to repair the Canal Bridge at Townsend Harbor.

Article 5. Voted that the town appropriate from Surplus Revenue the sum of $500.00 for the purchase of new hose, and special repairs to the fire apparatus, the same to be expended under the direction of the Board of Engineers.

Article 6. Voted that the town appropriate from Surplus Revenue the sum of $3,000.00 to be used on the Machinery Account for the rental or purchase of road machinery.

Article 7. Voted that the town appropriate from Surplus Revenue the sum of $197.89 for Welfare relief bill for 1934, 1935, 1936 and 1937.

Article 8. Voted that the town appropriate from Surplus Revenue the sum of $1,000.00 for necessary painting, repairs and purchase of sanding machine and spray gun at the Spaulding Memorial School.

Article 9. Voted that the town appropriate from Surplus Revenue the sum of $300.00 to be used for repairing the tomb-houses and regrading several lots in Hillside Cemetery.

Article 10. Voted that the town transfer the proceeds of the Tax Title Loan of $2,500, incurred in 1939, to be used for ordinary maintenance expenses in 1940, and by the assessors for the reduction of the tax rate.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 8.40 P. M.

A true Copy. Attest:

ROBERT A. COPELAND,

Town Clerk.

NOTE:—The necessary approval of the Commissioner of Taxation for the above appropriations from Surplus Revenue has been received.

Notice

All persons are respectfully requested to examine the following reports of births, marriages, and deaths, and report to the Town Clerk any errors or omissions that may be found therein, so that the records may be corrected. Any error in the record, other than a mistake in copying a certificate or return, can be corrected only in accordance with a deposition, under oath, made by one who was required by law to furnish the information for the original record, or by three or more creditable persons having knowledge of the case. (See Revised Laws, Chapter 29, Section 9 and 16.)

The Town Clerk hereby gives notice that he is prepared to furnish parents, householders, physicians and midwives applying therefor, with blanks for return of births, as required by law.

ROBERT A. COPELAND,

Town Clerk.

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN TOWNSEND 1939

Date	Name	Parents
Jan. 18	Carl William Ellis	Richard and Ellen Ellis
March 12	Hester Caroline Valcourt	Wilfred and Frances Valcourt
March 14	Roger Ellis Hamel	Ernest and Eunice Hamel
March 18	William Lloyd LeGay	Ralph and Evelyn LeGay
April 9	Cynthia Ann Waitt	H. Horton and Bernice Waitt
April 18	Kenneth Robert Snow	Kenneth and Helena Snow
April 26	Richard Bailey	William and Isabelle Bailey
May 12	John Francis Delay, Jr.	John and Marie Delay
May 18		
May 22	Betsy Aldrich	Robert and Leah Aldrich
May 28	John Richard Leppanen	John and Helvi Leppanen
June 3	Elsa Jane Leppanen	Walter and Elli Leppanen
June 4	Wayne Holden	Richard and Helen Holden
June 4	Stillborn	
June 6	Diane Elizabeth Todd	Albert and Cecelia Todd
June 9	Emily Elizabeth Eastman	Edward and Marion Eastman
June 9		
July 22	Nancy Alberta Keaveny	Bernard and Pauline Keaveny
August 15	Ruth Virginia Poirier	Richard and Helen Poirier
August 24	Helen Maria Meyer	William and Vieno Meyer
Sept. 1	Paul Henry Manning	Paul and Olive Manning
Sept. 15	William Rowland Hall	Rowland and Anna Hall
Sept. 20	James Wallace Hotaling	Herbert and Beatrice Hotaling
Sept. 21	Ruth Louise Fleming	Chester and Minnie Fleming
October 10	Judith Ann Morse	Howard and Audrey Morse
October 28	Paul Clyde Kenney	Paul and Viola Kenney
November 7	Bruce Allen Maxwell	Edwin and Arvilla Maxwell
November 13	Stephen Joseph Funaiole	Joseph and Lauretta Funaiole
November 18	Nancy Ann Keefe	Stephen Jr. and Katherine Keefe
November 22	Rudolph Bruce Maki	Martin and Martha Maki
November 23	Glenn Curtis Hayward	Russell and Cora Hayward
November 28	Donald Thomas O'Brien	John and Altha O'Brien
December 7		

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN TOWNSEND 1939

Date	Name	Residence	Age
Jan. 21	John H. Gilson	Milford, N. H.	29
	Elizabeth P. Dion	Amherst, N. H.	19
Jan. 30	T. James Harvey	Townsend	60
	Alice B. Eastman	Townsend	55
Feb. 5	Gerald Miller	Santa Monica, Cal .	25
	Bernice Bookstrom	West Concord, N. H.	22
March 4	Paul J. Kenney	Chelsea	24
	Viola C. Young	Townsend	17
May 12	Fred R. Luongo	Milford, N. H.	24
	Miriam Ricciardi	Milford, N. H.	25
June 14	Charles E. Heathcote	Worcester	35
	Janet Bush	Worcester	33
June 17	Fred C. Starkey	Townsend	27
	Margaret E. Richardson	Chelmsford	19
June 17	Henry E. Wilson	Townsend	28
	Carolyn N. Campbell	Townsend	18
June 29	Chester W. Hale	Townsend	29
	Mary L. O'Brien	Townsend	19
July 1	Peter Constantine	Amherst, N. H.	41
	Althea M. Nute	Hollis, N. H.	28
July 1	Joseph N. Guimond	Manchester, N. H.	42
	Florence Charron	Manchester, N. H.	52
July 8	Norman L. Dodge Jr.	Townsend	18
	Lena C. Misner	Townsend	13
July 13	Arthur W. Miles	Grasmere, N. H.	33
	Delia Wildman	Grasmere, N. H.	25
July 17	George E. Aro	Townsend	22
	Aili E. Peterson	Townsend	19
July 29	Albert E. Terrell	Townsend	22
	Jennie Maldarelli	Fitchburg	18
Aug. 12	William K. Stroud	Gilbertville	32
	Helen W. MacDonald	Townsend	32
Aug. 16	Albin Laitinen	Townsend	59
	Lizzie Kallio	Townsend	58
Aug. 25	Harold F. Burgess	Brookline, N. H.	24
	Ruth E. Jensen	Brookline, N. H.	17
Aug. 26	Walter Peterson	Townsend	24
	Lorraine A. Hellen	Townsend	19
Sept. 1	Justin F. Kent	Manchester, N. H.	24
	Lucille Huppe	Manchester, N. H.	23
Sept. 16	John W. Beck	Townsend	44
	Jennie Johnson	West Boylston	27
Sept. 23	James W. Lillie Jr.	Pepperell	18
	Shirley E. Holt	Pepperell	18
Sept. 23	Herman Kvist	Bronx, New York, N. Y.	28
	Elna Carlson	Townsend	23
Oct. 2	Frank L. Hartshorn	Milford, N. H.	21
	Henrietta Aldrich	Milford, N. H.	18
Oct. 5	Malcolm V. Bailey	Townsend	24
	Louise H. Snow	Townsend	20

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MARRIAGES —Continued

Date	Name	Residence	Age
Oct. 12	Irvin L. Merrill	Milford, N. H.	42
	Jennie G. Banks	Concord, N. H.	30
Oct. 12	Edward W. Kress	Hingham	23
	Elizabeth M. Evart	Norwell	19
Nov. 2	Bruce Strickler	Jonesville, Wis.	26
	Florence V. Novak	Rhinelander, Wis.	26
Nov. 8	David W. Ganong	Townsend	23
	Sylvia W. Ornquist	Townsend	22
Nov. 23	Armas Ranta	Townsend	46
	Anio Hellen	Townsend	50
Nov. 25	John E. Kallio	Townsend	55
	Winnie C. Healey	Townsend	50
Dec. 2	Stephen H. Bohanon	Townsend	47
	Rena E. Godin	Fitchburg	33
Dec. 4	George A. Fraser	Milford, N. H.	25
	Constance Langdell	Milford, N. H.	26

DEATHS REGISTERED IN TOWNSEND 1939

Date	Name	Age Y	M	D	Place of Burial
Jan. 1	Mary E. Spofford	79	7	4	Townsend
Jan. 27	Sahag Arakelian	69	2		Arlington
Feb. 7	Susie A. Wright	78	4	14	Groton
Feb. 18	John Ahti	65		1	Townsend
March 7	Charles A. Hosley	87	1	2	West Townsend
March 8	Harry L. Parker	56	3	7	West Townsend
March 28	Annie P. Keefe	70	7	24	Townsend
March 29	Arthur D. Barber	81	11	3	Townsend
April 15	Emilie A. Lawrence	82	2	29	Pepperell
April 27	George B. Richardson	73	7	20	Mason, N. H.
May 7	Mary F. Barber	101	10	12	Townsend
May 18					
May 25	Jennie M. Barber	78	9	3	Townsend
May 26	Myron W. Adams	78	5	3	Gilsum, N. H.
May 27	Mary E. Mitchell	82	1	2	Townsend
June 4					
July 4	Effie M. Brown	54	4	18	Townsend
July 13	Edwin F. Colburn	79	11	14	Hollis, N. H.
July 16	Erving K. Marshall	63		17	Townsend
Aug. 22	Herbert H. Wise	84	3	2	Fitchburg
Aug. 29	Wilbur E. Colson	69	9		Pepperell
Sept. 15	Martha J. Hildreth	81	7	9	Townsend
Sept. 25	James W. Hotaling			5	Townsend
Oct. 4	John L. Grandin	52	9	15	Cambridge
Oct. 13	Margüerita Soulis	82	1	15	Newton
Nov. 17	Ruth A. Goodwin	66	6	10	Townsend
Nov. 22	Nathaniel M. Teehan	40	3	22	Manchester, N. H.
Dec. 11	Bertha J. Boynton	72	11	29	Townsend
Dec. 13	Lizzie E. Richardson	69	6	12	Mason, N. H.
Dec. 26	Daniel T. Spofford	80		23	Townsend

BODIES BROUGHT TO TOWNSEND FOR BURIAL 1939

Date	Name	Residence
January	Malinda F. Bruce	Boston
January	Lewis E. Morse	Westboro
February	Frank H. Kilbourn	Pepperell
March	Franklin B. Brown	Manchester, N. H.
March	Fred A. Woodward	Gloucester
April	Fred H. Dudley	Fitchburg
April	John P. Piispanen	Fitchburg
May	Marion E. Story	Providence, R. I.
August	Helen E. Stickney	Newton
August	Louise J. Hart	Marlboro
September	Donald Laws	Canton
November	Jane S. Maitland	Hardwick, Vt.

REPORT OF DOG LICENSES

199 Male dogs at $2.00 each	$398.00	
1 Male dog duplicate	.25	
25 Female dogs at $5.00 each	125.00	
1 Female dog duplicate	.25	
40 Spayed dogs at $2.00 each	80.00	
266 dogs,		$603.50
Less Clerk's fees		
264 dogs at 20c	52.80	
2 dogs at 25c	.50	
		53.30
Paid Treasurer		$550.20

REPORT OF HUNTING AND FISHING LICENSES

205 Licenses	$433.50	
Less Clerk's fees	51.25	
Paid Fish and Game Commission		$382.25

ROBERT A. COPELAND,
Town Clerk.

REPORT OF JANITOR OF MEMORIAL HALL

AMOUNTS DUE FOR 1939

Robert Zerinsky, Movies	$ 283.75	
Daughters of Union Veterans	23.00	
Townsend Club	10.00	
Ladies' Benevolent Society	8.00	
Townsend Military Band	8.00	
Follansbee Show	7.00	
Finnish Co-operative	6.00	
Townsend Rod and Gun Club	6.00	
Aro-Peterson Wedding	6.00	
Rev. Sherman Goodwin	5.00	
Baptist Church	5.00	
Boy Scouts	5.00	
Baron West Show	5.00	
Catholic Club	4.00	
St. John's Church	2.00	
Woman's Club	2.00	
Telephone	.05	
Total Collected and paid Treasurer		$ 385.80

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT A. COPELAND,
Janitor

REPORT OF JANITOR OF SEMINARY HALL

AMOUNTS DUE FOR 1939

Squanicook Men's Club	$ 48.00	
Townsend Farmers Cooperative Union	18.00	
Ladies Baptist Benevolent Society	4.00	
Mrs. Edward Matson	1.00	
Mrs. Alden Sherwin	1.00	
Total Collected and paid Treasurer		$ 72.00

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR A. KOYKKA,

Janitor

Report of the Board of Health

The Nashoba Associated Boards of Health, agents for the Board of Health of Townsend, herewith transmits its annual report for the year 1939.

The past year has been characterized by a remarkable lack of important events in public health in our district. As the results of public health work consists of the cases of diseases and deaths that do not occur, the town is approaching a desirable situation in public health.

Communicable diseases have been notable for the small number of serious cases. The following diseases have been reported to the health department:

Chicken pox	9
Undulant fever	1
Scarlet fever	9
Tuberculosis	1
Whooping Cough	6
Measles	4
Lobar Pneumonia	1
Dog Bite	4
Syphilis	1

The Diphtheria Immunization Clinic for the town of Townsend was conducted in May of this year, when a total of 74 individuals, divided as follows; 11 infants, 40 preschool and 23 school children received the three injections of toxoid.

A study was completed this year on the total number and percent of children from six months through four years of age immunized against diphtheria for the years 1938 and

1939. The results of this study for Townsend are shown in the following tabulation:

	1938		1939	
	No.	Percent	No.	Percent
No. of children 0-4 years of age	127		136	
No. and percent receiving toxoid	56	44.1	88	64.7

The above figures include only those children immunized by the Nashoba Health District clinic. The population figures were compiled from birth reports received by the Health Unit office from Townsend.

The residents of Townsend made 15 visits to the Tuberculosis Clinic. The following table gives the activities of the clinic:

No. of cases under supervision	3
No. of new individuals X-rayed	6
No. of old individuals X-rayed	9
Cases diagnosed	1
Cases admitted to sanatorium	1
Cases discharged from sanatorium	0
Cases died during year	0

An effort is being made by the Middlesex County Sanatorium and the Nashoba Health Unit staff to have all individuals who at some time were reported as having tuberculosis to be X-rayed either by their family physician or our clinic which is held the fourth Wednesday of each month, in order that their present condition may be ascertained. If they are found to be negative their names are removed from the list of reported cases and they need to give no further thought to it; if found positive they should receive further and more intensive supervision for their own protection and the protection of their family and immediate contacts.

The Unit has experienced an unusual amount of difficulty with some of these cases due to their lack of interest and

cooperation in ascertaining their condition. Any one who at some time had a diagnosis or has been suspected should make every effort to cooperate.

The Tuberculosis School Clinics as conducted in previous years have been discontinued this year. They were found to be uneconomical in the present status of the disease in Massachusetts. Over seven thousand high school students were examined in Middlesex County with the resulting discovery of only two cases. Those cases previously diagnosed in the School Clinics are carried as suspicious and will be re X-rayed in our regular monthly clinic; any other students that may develop suspicious symptoms should come to the regular monthly clinic.

The Well-Child Conferences were held as usual with the following attendance: infants under one year of age 13, made 27 visits to the clinic; children one year and up to five 27, made 43 visits to the clinic.

These conferences are designed for the purpose of supplementing the family physician and not for replacing him. Advice to mothers concerning foods, clothing, habits and training for the well child, is the purpose of the conference.

Cancer is the second greatest cause of death throughout the United States. It is usually an important cause in the Nashoba Health District. Many cancer deaths can be prevented if any suspicious symptoms are referred to the family physician in time. Do not wait if any suspicious lumps, growths, or chronic symptoms of any kind appear after the age of forty.

The audiometer tests for hearing were made as early as possible this year in order to avoid the epidemic of colds that appears in the late fall, as these may cause an apparent deficiency of hearing. The findings in Townsend for this year are as follows:

Total schools	1
Total children tested	308
No. retested as showing a deficiency	100
No. unimproved on retest	28

Follow up work is being done on these children showing a deficiency. An attempt is made to have the children examined by a specialist in order that corrective measures may be taken wherever possible.

Twenty-nine dairy farms and one pasteurization plant which handle milk for consumption in Townsend have been under our sanitary supervision. 91 visits have been made to the dairy farms and 45 visits have been made to the pasteurization plant.

During these visits particular attention has been paid to the sanitary methods practiced and to the type of equipment used. Whenever necessary, recommendations were made to correct unacceptable conditions.

Samples of milk have been obtained monthly from all dealers selling milk in Townsend. These samples were tested in our laboratory to see that they met the standards as required by law. 673 samples have been collected and tested. The results of this testing showed the milk supply of the town to be of good quality.

Sixteen milk licenses for the sale of milk and cream were issued; the fees, $8.00, sent to the town treasurer.

Eight water samples from privately owned wells in Townsend were collected and tested in our laboratory for purity. Eight nuisance complaints were investigated and ordered abated.

Fourteen inspections were made of eating places in Town-

send. In each case the establishment was found to be generally satisfactory.

The school building was inspected for sanitary conditions and a report of the findings was sent to the school board. Moving pictures on health education material were shown in the school during a health education program.

Respectfully submitted,

J. O. WAILS, M. D.

Director Nashoba Associated Boards of Health

Report of the Town Nurse

Selectmen of Townsend,
Townsend, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my report as Town Nurse for the year 1939.

I wish to express my appreciation for the help given me by the Health Committee at the Well Child Conferences, in making supplies for maternity kits, for their splendid work in finding and signing up children for the toxoid clinics and for furnishing transportation to and from these clinics.

Through the Health Committee we were able to obtain the services of a specialist to do ear, nose and throat examinations on the School children with hearing difficulties.

The toxoid clinics, where children from 6 months to 10 years are immunized against diphtheria, were conducted by Dr. Wails in May. More children were given this safe and lasting protection than ever before. Seventy-five children were immunized. Eleven under one year, 35 between one and five and 29 were five and over.

Twenty-three were vaccinated in June under the auspices of the Board of Health.

Dr. Wails conducted 6 Well Child Conferences this year. More mothers are realizing the importance of periodic check ups for their young children and consequently the clinics have been larger. Two members of the Health Committee, Miss Reynolds, advisory nurse for the Nashoba District and myself assist the doctor on clinic day.

Sixteen infants, babies from 3 weeks to one year, made 37 visits; 13 had never been to this clinic. Thirty-two preschoolers, children one to six years made 54 visits; 14 had never been to clinic before.

Monthly tuberculosis clinics are held at the Nashoba Health Building in Ayer. X-rays are done on all patients and X-rays and physical examinations on those who give a history of being in contact with an active case, or those who are post-sanatorium cases. Patients are referred in by the family doctor.

Nineteen attended this clinic, four of whom were new. Twelve visits were made urging old cases to return.

	New	Visits
Morbidity	60	275
(4 to hospitals; 1 to Doctor's office)		
Antepartum	11	20
(1 to antepartum clinic; 1 to Doctor's office)		
Pre-Delivery		8
Deliveries	6	
Post Partum	8	41
New Born	10	59
Infant	44	229
(1 to Hospital; 1 to Doctor's office)		
Preschool	85	166
(1 for X-ray)		

Respectfully submitted,

ETHEL AMIRO, R. N.
Town Nurse

Sealer of Weights and Measures

Townsend, Mass.,
January 8, 1940.

To the Board of Selectmen:
Town of Townsend.

Gentlemen:—

Following is my report for the year ending December 31, 1939:

Sets of scales sealed	45
Avoirdupois weights sealed	73
Liquid measures sealed	30
Gasoline pumps sealed	3
Gasoline meters sealed	25
Kerosene pumps sealed	8
Tank truck meters sealed	1
Yard Measures sealed	8

I have collected and paid to the Town Treasurer sealing fees amounting to $32.27.

Respectfully submitted,

RALPH T. KILBOURN,
Sealer of Weights and Measurers.

Report of the Assessors

December 30, 1939

Town Appropriations March 6, 1939		106,046.46	
Town Appropriation for Tuberculosis Hospital		1,225.76	
Town Appropriations from Available Funds		10,462.97	
			117,735.19
State Tax and Assessments			
	1939 Estimate	1938 Underestimate	
State Tax	6,840.00	3,420.00	
Auditing	53.26		
State Parks	119.28	7.53	
	7,012.54	3,427.53	10,440.07
County Tax and Assessments			
County Tax	3,266.06	5.32	3,271.38
Overlay of Current Year			1,922.05
Gross Amount to be Raised			133,368.69
Estimated Receipts:			
Income Tax		6,757.33	
Corporation Taxes		6,906.30	
State Owned Land		692.80	
Motor Vehicle Excise		3,044.76	
Licenses		103.55	
General Government		169.55	
Protection of Persons and Property		63.63	
Health and Sanitation		174.46	
Charities		1,889.25	
Old Age Assistance		10,028.32	

Soldier's Benefits	243.60	
Schools	5,774.14	
Libraries	59.14	
Water Department	8,723.99	
Cemeteries	340.35	
Interest on Taxes	2,093.98	
Veterans' Exemption	3.60	
Chapter 504 — 1939	6,778.04	
	52,946.79	
Available Funds		
Appropriations Dec. 30, 1938	7,653.54	
Appropriations March 6. 1939	2,809.43	
Chapter 90 Construction	2,000.00	
	12,462.97	
Total Amount to be Deducted		65,409.76
Net Amount to be Raised by Taxation and Polls		67,958.93
Deduct 758 Polls at 2.00		1,516.00
Net Amount to be Raised on Property		66,442.93
Value of Personal Property	165,650.00	
Value of Real Estate	1,936,970.00	
Tax Rate	31.60	
Gain in figuring Taxes	.14	
Commitments to Collector		
Personal Property	5,234.62	
Real Estate	61,208.31	
Polls	1,516.00	
Excise	3,396.40	
December	220.41	
Additional Polls	6.00	
Abatements Made 1939		
Levy of 1934 Polls	4.00	
Excise	2.89	

Levy of 1935	Polls	4.00
	Real Estate	10.41
Levy of 1936	Excise	2.00
Levy of 1937	Real Estate	431.41
	Excise	72.78
Levy of 1938	Polls	22.00
	Real Estate	321.56
	Excise	51.44
Levy of 1939	Polls	290.00
	Real Estate	886.26
	Excise	150.06

Number of Horses	50
Number of Cows	218
Number of Neat	72
Number of Swine	41
Number of Goats	14
Number of Foxes	24
Number of Fowl	22,585

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER D. FARRAR,
JOSEPH R. ARLIN,
BENJAMIN P. POOR,
Assessors of Townsend.

Report of Board of Public Welfare

To the Citizens of the Town of Townsend:

The case load for the year 1939 was about the same as previous years. Outside Relief was about the same. Surely the W.P.A. in this town has kept the relief down and it is the desire of the Board to put every man that has properly signed up to work if possible, although we are limited to a certain number. Until a few of our townspeople, who feel that it is the Town who owes them a living, and that they do not owe that living to themselves, are made to understand this, our relief will not change a great deal.

The conditions at the Town Infirmary are very good although we took such a cut in the appropriation, but you will notice that there is quite a decrease in receipts of the farm. At this time we wish to thank all orders and societies that brought cheer and good things to the people on the Farm at Christmas time as it was very much appreciated.

The total value of Surplus Commodities distributed in the Town of Townsend during the year 1939, or the so called Federal Food is as follows:

Food	$ 1,616.71	
Clothing (W. P. A.)	177.95	
Federal Clothing	292.00	
Total		$ 2,086.66

Respectfully submitted,
CLARE F. CREIGHTON
LILLA SEAVER
FRANCIS N. BOUTELLE

Board of Public Welfare

SALARIES

Appropriation		500.00
Expenses:		
Clare F. Creighton	250.00	
Lilla Seaver	125.00	
Francis N. Boutelle	125.00	
		500.00

EXPENSE OF BOARD

Appropriation	100.00	
Transfer from Reserve	8.00	
		108.00
Stationery, Forms and Postage	33.80	
Telephone	1.25	
Steel Filing Set	12.95	
Typewriter	35.00	
Traveling and Transportation		
Clare F. Creighton	16.50	
Lilla Seaver	3.50	
Francis N. Boutelle	5.00	
		108.00

RELIEF

Appropriation		$ 4,500.00
Local Cases		
Provisions and Supplies	484.84	
Fuel	69.34	
Electricity	19.41	
Clothing	4.70	
Board	605.00	
Surplus Commodities Distribution	90.10	
Grave opening	10.00	
Hospital and Medical care	514.50	

State Institutions	260.71	
Total		2,058.60
Outside Relief (Full Reimbursement)		
Provisions and Supplies	111.39	
Fuel	15.64	
Rent	35.00	
Electricity	3.30	
Clothing	8.79	
Medical care	9.00	
Cash payments	240.00	
Temporary Aid (State cases)	771.56	
Total	1,194.68	
Total of Local and Outside Relief		3,253.28
Balance Unexpended, Dec. 31		1,246.72

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING DEC. 30, 1939

Appropriation from Surplus Revenue	$ 197.89
To Framingham for years 1934, 1935, 1936, 1937	

REIMBURSEMENT ON RELIEF

Amounts received in 1939		
Local Individuals	180.94	
Town of Pepperell	360.00	
City of Fitchburg	238.12	
City of Gardner	71.96	
State of Mass. for Temporary Aid	57.75	
State of Mass. for A. D. C.	729.91	
		1,638.68
Amounts still due		
State of Mass. for Temporary Aid	697.13	
State of Mass. for A. D. C.	811.00	

City of Fitchburg	219.47	
		1,727.60

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

Appropriation	1,730.00	
Transfer from Reserve	253.00	
Federal Grant for A. D. C.	540.21	
		$ 2,523.21
Payments		
Cash payments	2,424.00	
Eye glasses	10.00	
		2,434.00
Balance Unexpended Dec. 31, 1939		89.21

FEDERAL GRANT FOR ADMINISTRATION OF AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN ONLY

Receipts from Federal Government		44.55
Cash payments to Clare F. Creighton Adm.		31.50
Balance Unexpended Dec. 31, 1939		13.05

AMANDA E. DWIGHT FUND FOR POOR

Balance from 1938	378.51	
Interest for 1939	326.77	
		705.28
Burial	80.00	
Burbank Hospital for child	20.00	
		100.00
Balance Unexpended Dec. 31, 1939		605.28

SPAULDING AND WILSON FUND FOR POOR

Balance from 1938	9.15	

Interest for 1939	14.18	
No Expenditures in 1939		
		23.33

INFIRMARY

Appropriation		2,000.00
Expenditures:		
Waldo B. Newell, Supt.	900.00	
Groceries and Provisions	417.86	
Other labor, plowing, wood hauling cutting	64.00	
Supplies for house (miscellaneous)	40.73	
Fuel	111.75	
Clothing	9.17	
Electricity	50.45	
Telephone	36.84	
Fertilizer, grains, seeds	217.42	
Slaughtering	3.25	
Blacksmith	4.00	
Balance on cow	20.00	
Ice	30.78	
Medical care	22.00	
Insurance on Buildings	61.49	
State Inspection of Boiler	5.00	
Taxes to Ashby	4.18	
Total		1,998.92
Balance Unexpended Dec. 31, 1939		1.08

INFIRMARY RECEIPTS

Milk	222.00	
Eggs	56.48	
Calf	4.00	
Telephone	13.40	
Rent	72.00	
Board from Pepperell	25.00	
Total		392.88

Bureau of Old Age Assistance

GENERAL EXPENSE ACCOUNT
RECEIPTS

Appropriation	$ 14,000.00	
Refund from individual	450.00	
Transfer from Reserve Fund	342.30	
From Fed. Grant for O. A. A.	12,477.50	
		$ 27,269.80

PAYMENTS

Payroll	25,671.00	
Hospital and Medical care	954.04	
Returned to State	363.67	
Town of Groton	109.17	
Town of Athol	115.92	
City of Fitchburg	4.50	
Transfer to Administration	50.00	
		$ 27,268.30
Balance unexpended Dec. 31, 1939		1.50

REIMBURSEMENTS ON ABOVE

Amount received from the State	$ 7,958.20	
from the City of Leominster	120.84	
from the City of Fitchburg	30.66	
		$ 8,109.70
Amount due from the State Dec. 31, 1939		307.05

Active cases January 1, 1939 were 76
Cases opened during the year, 19

Cases closed during the year, 14
Total cases for the year, 109
Active as of December 31st, 78
In the past twelve months 400 home visits were made.

ADMINISTRATION ACCOUNT

RECEIPTS

Balance, Dec. 31, 1938	$ 16.70	
Federal Grants 1939	415.87	
Transfer from General Expense	50.00	
		$ 482.57

PAYMENTS

Salaries and Expense:		
Lilla Seaver, Agent	250.10	
Clare Creighton, Secretary	125.60	
Hugh R. Thatcher	65.60	
Forms and Postage	30.40	
		$ 471.70
Balance December 31, 1939		10.87

LILLA SEAVER
CLARE F. CREIGHTON
HUGH R. THATCHER

Report of the State Auditor

December 9, 1939

To the Board of Selectmen
Mr. Willard A. Greer, Chairman
Townsend, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I submit herewith my report of an audit of the books and accounts of the collector of taxes of the town of Townsend for the period from December 6, 1936, to October 30, 1939, and the general accounts of the town for the period from November 20, 1935, to October 30, 1939, made in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44, General Laws. This is in the form of a report made to me by Mr. Herman B. Dine, Assistant Director of Accounts.

Very truly yours,

THEODORE N. WADDELL,

Director of Accounts

Mr. Theodore N. Waddell
Director of Accounts
Department of Corporations and Taxation
State House, Boston

Sir:

As directed by you, I have made an audit of the books and accounts of the collector of taxes of the town of Townsend for the period from December 6, 1936, the date of the previous audit, to October 30, 1939, and of the general accounts of the town for the period from November 20, 1935,

the date of the previous audit, to October 30, 1939 and submit the following report thereon:

The records of the financial transactions of the several departments receiving or disbursing money for the town, or committing bills for collection, were examined, checked, and verified by a comparison with the reports and the records in the town accountant's office.

The accountant's ledger was analyzed, the appropriation accounts being checked to the town meeting records of appropriations and transfers voted. A balance sheet, showing the financial condition of the town on October 30, 1939, was prepared and is appended to this report.

The books and accounts of the town treasurer were examined and checked. The recorded receipts were analyzed and compared with the accountant's ledger and with the records of the departments making payments to the treasurer, while the payments by the treasurer were checked with the warrants signed by the selectmen authorizing the treasurer to disburse town funds.

The payments of maturing debt and interest were verified by a comparison with the amounts falling due and with the cancelled securities on file.

The savings bank books and securities representing the investments of the various trust funds in the custody of the treasurer were examined and listed, and the income was proved.

The cash book additions were verified and the treasurer's cash balance on October 30, 1939, was proved by a reconciliation of the bank balance with a statement furnished by the bank of deposit and by actual count of the cash in the office.

The books and accounts of the tax collector were examined and checked. The taxes outstanding at the time of

the previous examination were audited, and all subsequent commitment lists were added and reconciled with the warrants of the assessors committing the taxes for collection.

The collector's cash books were footed, the payments to the treasurer by the collector were checked to the treasurer's and the accountant's books, the recorded abatements were compared with the assessors' records of abatements granted, and the outstanding accounts were listed and reconciled with the accountant's ledger accounts.

The outstanding taxes were verified by sending notices to a number of persons whose names appeared on the books as owing money to the town, and from the replies received it appears that the accounts, as listed, are correct. The tax title deeds on hand were listed and the amounts transferred to the tax title accounts were verified. Verificaion of the tax titles as listed was made by a comparison with the records in the Registry of Deeds.

The surety bonds of the officials required by law to furnish them were examined and found to be in proper form.

The records of licenses and permits issued by the selectmen and town clerk were examined and checked and the payments to the State and town were verified.

In addition to the departments mentioned, the books and accounts of the sealer of weights and measures, of the town nurse, and of the public welfare, school, water, and library departments were examined and checked, and the payments to the treasurer were verified.

For the cooperation extended by the several town officials during the process of the audit, I wish, on behalf of my assistants and for myself, to express appreciation.

Respectfully submitted,

HERMAN B. DINE
Assistant Director of Accounts

TOWN OF TOWNSEND

BALANCE SHEET — OCTOBER 30, 1939

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

ASSETS

Cash — In Bank and Office		$ 16,583.06
Accounts Receivable;		
Taxes:		
Levy of 1934	$ 4.00	
Levy of 1935	14.41	
Levy of 1938	17,928.39	
Levy of 1939	50,643.88	
		68,590.68
Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes:		
Levy of 1934	2.89	
Levy of 1936	2.00	
Levy of 1937	2.00	
Levy of 1938	7.75	
Levy of 1939	109.17	
		123.81
Tax Titles	2,902.62	
Tax Title Possessions	258.06	
		3,160.68
Departmental:		
Public Welfare	1,145.48	
Old Age Assistance	1,883.55	
State Aid	470.00	
Military Aid	45.00	
School	15.00	
Cemetery	351.40	
		3,910.43
Aid to Highways:		
State — Chapter 81	3,935.42	

LIABILITIES AND RESERVES

Temporary Loans:		
In Anticipation of Revenue 1939		$ 30,000.00
State Tax		6,840.00
State Parks and Reservations Tax		119.23
State Auditing Assessment		53.26
Highway Machinery Rental Fund		320.20
Sale of Cemetery Lots Fund		297.42
Reserve for Payment of Tax Title Loan		72.52
Overpayment Taxes 1937 - to be Refunded,		28.30
Trust Fund Income:		
Spaulding and Wilson Worthy Poor Fund,	$ 23.33	
Amanda French Welfare Fund,	156.25	
Emery Library Fund,	12.91	
Martha Homer Reading Room Fund	79.45	
Birney Blood Monument Fund	147.72	
Tucker Cemetery General Care Fund	18.19	
Giles Cemetery General Care Fund,	.50	
Miner Cemetery Floral Fund,	3.00	
Gilson Cemetery Floral Fund,	2.54	
Richards Cemetery Floral Fund,	2.00	
Anderson Cemetery Floral Fund,	2.33	
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds,	290.38	

State — Chapter 90	2,000.00	
County — Chapter 90	2,000.00	
		7,935.42
Water Rates		1,489.15
Estimated Receipts to be Collected		13,777.75
Overdrawn Accounts:		
Highways, Chapter 81	609.36	
Highways, Chap. 90, Maintenance	2,030.09	
		2,639.45
		$118,210.43

Dwight Poor Fund	509.51	
Dwight Library Mainten. Fund	172.93	
Dwight Cemetery General Care Fund	93.05	
Dwight Concert and Lecture Fd.	359.34	
		1,873.43
Federal Grants:		
Old Age Assistance—Relief	$510.50	
Old Age Assistance — Adm.	13.42	
Aid to Dependent Children:		
Relief	64.28	
Administration	28.80	
		617.00
Appropriation Balances		28,882.48
Reserve Fund—Overlay Surplus		640.42
Overlays Reserved for Abatements:		
Levy of 1934	4.00	
Levy of 1935	13.71	
Levy of 1938	1,447.78	
Levy of 1939	1,239.54	
		2,705.03
Revenue Reserved Until Collected:		
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax	123.81	
Tax Title	3,160.68	
Departmental	3,910.43	
Aid to Highways	7,935.42	
Water	1,489.15	
		16,619.49
Surplus Revenue:		
Current Year	2,506.00	
Prior Years	26,635.60	
		29,141.60
		$118,210.43

DEBT ACCOUNTS

Net Funded or Fixed Debt	$112,370.27	Water Construction Loan	$109,000.00
		Water Extension Loan	1,000.00
		Tax Title Loan	2,370.27
	$112,370.27		$112,370.27

TRUST ACCOUNTS

Trust Funds, Cash and Securities:		In Custody of Town Treasurer:		
In Custody of Town Treasurer	$ 50,455.68	Spaulding and Wilson Poor Funds		$ 634.00
In Custody of New England Trust Company	* 35,050.63	Abram S. French Welfare Fund		5,000.00
		Maria L. Lane, School Fund		1,511.83
		Charles Emery Library Fund		500.00
		Martha E. Homer Reading Room Fund		5,000.00
		John Birney Blood Monument Fund		5,055.85
		James H. Tucker Cemetery General Care Fd.		500.00
		Joel Giles Cemetery General Care Fund		2,000.00
		Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds		29,804.00
		Henry A. Minor Cemetery Floral Fund		100.00
		A. Richards Cemetery Floral Fund		100.00
		Gustavus Anderson Cemetery Floral Fund		100.00
		Annie M. Gilson Memorial Day Service Fund		150.00
				$ 50,455.68
		In Custody of New England Trust Company:		
		Amanda E. Dwight Poor Fund	$ 9,043.28	
		Amanda E. Dwight Library Maintenance Fund	10,914.57	
		Amanda E. Dwight Concert and Lecture Fund	8,704.68	
		Amanda E. Dwight Cemetery General Care Fund	6,388.10	
				35,050.63
	$85,506.31			$85,506.31

* As of December 31, 1938.

Organization of the School Department - 1939-1940

COMMITTEE

Mrs. Ellen Whitcomb, Chairman	Term Expires 1940
Mrs. Ruth Marshall, Secretary	Term Expires 1940
Cornelius P. Keefe	Term Expires 1941
Harry A. Morrison	Term Expires 1941
Mrs. Bertha Rich	Term Expires 1942
Roswell A. Lancey	Term Expires 1942

Superintendent—Wesley E. Nims

Office Hours: Spaulding Memorial School, 3:00 to 4:00 P. M. Mondays and Thursdays

Supervisor of Music: Hazel Johnson, Lowell.

Supervisor of Drawing: Ellen K. Harvey, Townsend Harbor.

School Physician: Dr. H. B. Boynton, West Townsend.

School Nurse: Mrs. Ethel Amiro, Townsend.

Supervisor of Attendance: Ira D. Carleton.

JANITORS

Louis Welch, West Townsend.
Lawrence Welch, West Townsend.

SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR 1939-1940

Fall term began Sept. 11, 1939 — Closed Dec. 22, 1939
15 weeks

Winter term began January 2, 1940	Closed Feb. 16, 1940	7 weeks
Spring term begins Feb. 26, 1940	Closes April 18, 1940	8 weeks
Summer term begins April 29, 1940		
Grades I-VI close June 14, 1940		7 weeks
Grades VII-XII close June 20, 1940*		8 weeks
Fall term begins Sept. 9, 1940	Closes Dec. 20, 1940	15 weeks
Winter term begins Dec. 30, 1940	Closes Feb. 21, 1941	8 weeks

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* The High School is required by law to complete 180 days, and interruptions may postpone closing date until later than June 20, 1940.

Storm signal: Three blasts of the whistle, once repeated 7:30 A. M. at West and 7:32 at Center and Harbor, no school for the day; 11:30, one session all schools; 12:30 no afternoon session.

Report of the Superintendent of Schools

To The School Committee,
Townsend, Mass.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

This, my eighth report as superintendent of your schools, is submitted for your consideration. You will find herewith the reports of Principal Hamilton R. Bailey, of the school physician, Dr. Henry B. Boynton, of the school nurse, Ethel Amiro, R. N., and of the supervisor of Art, Ellen K. Harvey. Other supervisory reports are incorporated in mine.

TEACHERS

Miss Ruth Canty, teacher of English and French for the three previous years, resigned in June to accept a position elsewhere. At the same time, Miss Phyllis Hillner, teacher of household arts from September, 1937 on, resigned to be married.

Miss Helen Wanamaker, Somerville, Massachusetts, was elected Miss Canty's successor. She was graduated from Tufts College in 1938, and last year taught in the high school at Mendon.

The new household arts teacher is Miss Frances Martin, a graduate of Framingham State Teachers College in 1937. She taught the next two years in the high school at Essex, Massachusetts.

EYE AND EAR TESTS

I wish to direct your attention to the report of the school

nurse. This report shows clearly that the Town of Townsend, through its school nurse, the local health committee, and the Nashoba Unit, is doing a most commendable health job. In respect to the hearing clinics, the work was pioneering for a community of our size.

The Eye Tests were conducted by Mrs. Amiro. She found twenty children with apparent vision defects. Since her tests were completed, fourteen of these pupils have been further examined by regular physicians who specialize in Eye, Nose, and Throat troubles. Twelve have been fitted with glasses. In one case, the physician advised that glasses would not be effective; in a second case the advice was to improve the general physical condition first, and seek another eye examination later.

Another of the twenty was under the doctor's care for eye trouble at the time of the school test.

These results show that Mrs. Amiro's testing is well done, and her findings are reliable. Further, it is pleasing to record that she is getting the active cooperation of the parents.

Corrections have been made, or will be made soon, in nearly all the cases of eye difficulties reported to the parents.

The L. B. S. of the Congregational Church, and the Woman's Club have donated a total of $18.00 toward sight-correction work, but in most cases the parents are providing glasses for their own children.

The Hearing Tests are made on an Audiometer, owned and furnished by the Nashoba Health Unit. The Audiometer is a development of the Bell Telephone Laboratories. It provides a battery of ear-phones through which phonograph records with varying but strictly controlled sound intensities are heard. Scientifically ascertained results follow.

The Advisory Nurse of the Nashoba Unit makes the tests and checks the results. Pupils giving evidence of hearing defects on the first test are re-tested one or more times. Children on the final list with hearing defects as shown by the Audiometer are examined at the Hearing Clinic sponsored by the Townsend Health Committee. This Clinic is in charge of an Ear Specialist.

As a result of the thoroughness of the testing, the conclusions are valid, and confidence in them is felt by parents and teachers. Provision is made in school to give children with hearing difficulties extra consideration.

Marked improvements are already revealed in all but three of the treated cases.

Since school closed last June, ten children have had diseased tonsils removed. You will note that Dr. Boynton reports quite a number of children with diseased tonsils. This list is receiving attention from the school nurse, especially those on this list whose school attendance is irregular, or those who show some hearing trouble.

Dr. Boynton calls attention to the need of added dental care in the lower grades. We hope some way may be provided so that parents will find it possible to attend to this important matter of dental care. Good teeth from the appearance, health, and success standpoints play a very important part.

When the physical examination and testing was introduced into the schools of the Commonwealth we listed the defects. Lack of effective follow-up and follow-through together with the absence of satisfactory records made it difficult or impossible to give concrete evidence of the benefits of the program. I rejoice that today I can include in my report mention of corrections along with the figures of defects.

GIFTS

Phoebe Weston Farmer Tent No. 38 keeps our room

flags in good condition. During the past year the Tent presented three new flags. We thank them for this patriotic service.

REPAIRS

During the last summer vacation we refinished nine rooms, the four stairwells, the six toilets, the ceilings in the household arts laboratory and the lunch room, the counters, and the panels near the sink in the household arts laboratory.

In our report of last year we stated that we had been given an estimate of $3,800 as the cost of refinishing the interior of the school. A special appropriation at the last annual town meeting provided $1,150 for this purpose. $83.80 additional was taken out of the regular school appropriation and spent. An appropriation made at the special town meeting December 30, 1939, provided $1000 for equipment for refinishing desks and furniture, refinishing same and continuing the interior painting. Of this $1000, at least $700 should be available for continuing the interior repainting program. At the end of next summer, one-half of the money will have been available, and it is hoped, one-half the interior painting project will have been completed.

Considering the amount of necessary work required to clean a building during the summer and put it in shape for another school year, I believe that only one-fourth of the interior can be painted to advantage in any year. Our original plan was to complete the work in three years but experience indicates that the longer-time plan is better.

We also did whatever outside painting was urgent, and started resurfacing the desks. We found we lacked equipment to do this work to the best advantage. We resurfaced fifty of the four hundred desks. The recent appropriation which provided money for a sander and spray gun equipment will enable us to do a more uniform job and at a favorable cost.

Timely attention to the condition of our equipment and its proper care will not only improve appearances but will save money.

The sealing of the large skylight in the auditorium was completed. Since its completion no leaks have occurred. Better tools and added experience enabled us to do the work for about one-half of the appropriation. The expense for sealing the skylight was $123.97.

GENERAL SHOP

The State Teachers College at Fitchburg has a very fine Practical Arts program. The authorities at that College offered to furnish us an apprentice teacher without any charge to the Town of Townsend to assist in our General Shop department. In addition, Mr. Hammond who has charge of the General Shop Work at the College, visits our shop at least once a week to observe the training teacher's work and to help with the development of our General Shop program.

We are indeed fortunate to have such a layout and so fine facilities that the college was led to offer and to supervise such an advantageous cooperative arrangement.

The activities of the General Shop are: Woodwork, Metal Work, Plastics and Home Mechanics.

Interest in this practical course is very keen. There are seventy-one enrolled, and thirty-nine of this number elected it.

Pupils voluntarily spend much time in the shop after school hours. This is another indication of the hold the shop work has on a number of the students.

Through the cooperation of Mrs. Evelyn L. Warren, librarian, and the library trustees, there is available a good se-

lection of books on different phases of General Shop work. For this cooperation, we wish to express our appreciation.

HOUSEHOLD ARTS

A two-year progressive course of study has been planned for the Vocational Department, including such units as: Home Furnishing, Family Relationships, Money Management, Child Care, Home Nursing, Laundry, and Meal Preparation and Service.

These courses are designed not only to help the student be a better homemaker but also to become fitted for employment in homes or shops where similar work is required. The Vocational Department can recommend capable girls for such positions, and it is hoped that more people will use this placement service in the future.

MUSIC

The report of the Music Supervisor is in part as follows:

"The first seven grades varied the Memorial Day Program with songs and the School Orchestra played the Processional.

"At the High School Graduation, songs were sung by the High School Chorus and the Girls' Semi Chorus. The Graduation March was played by the School Orchestra.

"Since September 1939, the fifth and sixth grades have enjoyed the Damrosch Radio Programs every other Friday at two thirty P. M.

"Band Instruments and the Violin were demonstrated to the students, in December. It is hoped that many will become interested in this instruction and that our school will show more progress in this field."

ADULT ALIEN CLASS

At the November meeting of the school committee a petition was presented, asking for the establishment of an evening class for adult alien residents of Townsend. The class began in December and will continue forty to forty-five nights for the present session. The average attendance has been about nineteen.

The class meets two evenings each week, Wednesday and Friday. The class runs from seven to nine o'clock each evening.

Under the law, if the teacher and supervisor are approved by the state, the state reimburses the town one-half the expense of instruction and supervision. Our present arrangements call for $3.00 a night for instruction, and $5.00 a month for supervision. Both the teacher and the supervisor are certified by the state.

ATTENDANCE REPORT

During the year, Mr. Ira D. Carleton, Supervisor of Attendance, was called upon to investigate six cases of absence.

CONCLUSION

In conclusion, I express my sincere appreciation to the committee, principal, teachers, supervisors, janitors, drivers, and pupils for their continued courtesies and helpfulness.

Respectfully submitted,

WESLEY E. NIMS

Superintendent of Schools.

Report of the High School Principal

Mr. Wesley E. Nims
Superintendent of Schools
Townsend, Mass.

Dear Sir:

I herewith submit my twelfth annual report as Principal of Townsend High School and my eighth as Principal of Spaulding Memorial School.

The enrollment by classes in the six-year high school at the opening of school in September was as follows:

Seventh Grade	28
Eighth Grade	28
Freshmen	26
Sophomores	33
Juniors	25
Seniors	25
Total High School Enrollment	165

At the date of this report there are 383 pupils enrolled in Spaulding Memorial School of whom 183 are boys and 200 are girls.

There were two changes in the faculty this year. Miss Ruth Canty, teacher of English and French, resigned to accept a similar position in Littleton, N. H. Miss Phyllis Hillner, teacher of Household Arts, resigned to be married.

These positions are now ably filled by Miss Helen Wanamaker, a graduate of Tufts College, coming here after a year's experience in Mendon High School, Mendon, Mass., and

Miss Frances Martin, a graduate of the Household Arts Department of Framingham State Teachers College, who has taught in Essex High School, Essex, Mass., the past two years.

At the graduation exercises held at the school auditorium on Monday evening, June 26, 1939, a class of twenty received diplomas. Of these, three received the Classical Diploma; five the Commercial Diploma; and twelve the General Diploma.

On September 6, 1927, thirty-four pupils entered the first grade in Townsend. Only six of this group received high school diplomas in Townsend twelve years later. The other fourteen graduates, making the class of twenty, were composed mainly of pupils transferring to Townsend from other school systems, with a few who have had to repeat, and thus had fallen back one or more years.

Of the original thirty-four first graders, some had dropped back one or more classes, some had transferred, and the remainder had left school before high school graduation.

This made a total of forty-eight different pupils accounted for who had been in this class sometime during the twelve years, with at least another dozen who had transferred to this system and had moved away again.

The Scholarship Loyalty Achievement Award given annually to that member of the senior class who in the opinion of the faculty stands highest in these three things was received by Richard J. Coffey.

The Washington Franklin Medal for excellence in American History awarded annually by the Massachusetts Sons of the American Revolution was received by Richard J. Coffey.

A subscription to the Readers' Digest awarded by the

publishers to the senior with the highest scholarship for the entire course was received by Virginia Miller.

The Key awarded by Becker College, for excellence in Commercial Work was received by Carol V. Johnson.

Students who, in the Junior-Senior High School, received the grade of "A" in all prepared work for the year were: Constance Rich, Irene Koski, Lucille Miller, Caroline Perina, Dorothy Estes, Virginia Miller, Beverly Rich, Harold Elliott and Ruth Richards.

Students in the Junior-Senior High School who received an average grade of "A" in all prepared work with no grade lower than "B" were: Louise Johnson, Helvi Aho, Frances Grimes, Lena Martin, Mamie Nortonen, William Spofford, Richard Coffey, Muriel Whitman, Betty Johnson, Phyllis Nortonen, Anthony Perina, Elwin Swicker, Dorothy Vallette, Richard Rutherford, Ralph Johnson, Louis Josselyn, Arlene Morrison and Mabel Brown.

Extra-curricular activities have made up a considerable part of the school program and is perhaps the part that many of our citizens are most familiar with. These include athletics, dramatics, special assemblies, club activities, the annual trip to Washington, and the annual Small High School Basketball Tournament which will be held for the fifth time on March 7, 8, 9.

We have been fortunate in obtaining outside talent, mostly without charge which has added greatly to the interest and success of our assembly programs.

With the addition of our motion picture equipment we have been able to present educational and entertaining pictures of value. While many of these are free, the feature pictures cost $15 to $20 and a small charge has to be made to cover this cost, any balance being used in payment on the machine ($75 more to be paid) and for other programs.

The school board has generously paid for the Chronicles of America pictures on American History in a series of fifteen subjects, presented through the year. In this we are cooperating with nine other schools in a circuit including Pepperell, Leominster, and Fitchburg.

Much needed laboratory equipment has been purchased this year, and the Household Arts girls under the direction of Miss Martin have made a new set of basketball uniforms for the girls' team.

A general shop program for the boys has been set up this year with the cooperation of the Practical Arts Department of Fitchburg State Teachers' College. Under this program, Mr. Roberts will have a training assistant from the Teachers' College each half year. Mr. William Donovan has just completed the first half year's work and will be replaced by Mr. John Mulski.

This program broadens the use of our shop and gives the boys training and instruction in a wide variety of projects and industrial practices. It also furnishes instruction in methods of manufacture. Projects in wood work, metal work, modelling, plastics, general repairing, and electricity have been completed during the first half year.

This setup with the Vocational Household Arts and Homemaking for the girls gives an unusual opportunity to the boys and girls of Townsend to acquire practical information and experience which will be of great value to them in years to come.

In concluding this report I again want to express my appreciation for the fine cooperation and support given by the School Committee, Superintendent of Schools, Teachers, Students, Parents and Friends of the School.

Respectfully submitted,

HAMILTON R. BAILEY,

Principal.

GRADUATION EXERCISES

Class of 1939

TOWNSEND HIGH SCHOOL

Spaulding Memorial School Auditorium

Monday Evening, June 26, 1939

At Eight o'Clock

CLASS MOTTO

"To Thine Own Self Be True"

CLASS COLORS

Blue and Gold

CLASS FLOWER

White Rose

CLASS ROLL

John Henry Cook, President
Constance Louise Rich, Vice President
Virginia Miller, Secretary
Toivo V. Wiik, Treasurer
Lauri Oliver Aijala
Champney Bowen Bernauer
Madelyn M. Carleton
Richard James Coffey
Charlotte A. Conner
Sylvia Franklin Ely
Hazel Mildred Fleming
Margaret Olive Grimes
Nellie Elsie Immonen
Carol Virginia Johnson
Eugene Otto Lampula

Eugene A. Mattila
Mary L. Milton
Lena Constance Misner
Donald Edwin Weir
Conray Hall Wharff

HONOR GROUP

Virginia Miller
Constance Louise Rich
Margaret Olive Grimes
Richard James Coffey

PROGRAM

March Noble — Chr. Bach

High School Orchestra

Invocation — Rev. Sherman Goodwin
"Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones" — German Melody 1623

High School Chorus

Address of Welcome — Constance Rich
Class History — Margaret Grimes
Class Prophecy — Sylvia Ely
Presentation of Class Gift — Toivo Wiik
"Come to the Fair" — Martin

Semi-Chorus

Class Essay — Richard Coffey
Class Will — Champney B. Bernauer
Farewell to the Class — Virginia Miller
"In a Monastery Garden" — Ketelby

High School Chorus

Announcement of Awards — Hamilton R. Bailey, Principal
Presentation of Diplomas — Wesley E. Nims, Superintendent of Schools
Class Ode — Carol V. Johnson

Class of 1939

CLASS ODE

Words and Music by Carol V. Johnson

I

As we gather here at last
Now our High School years are past
It brings a pang of grief at parting
As together we are starting
To set our sail o'er life's broad sea.
The way may rough and troubled be
But we will live our motto through
The years, "To thine own self be true."

II

Townsend High you've taught the way,
And we're starting out to-day
That goal to reach of which you tell,
We'll strive our utmost to excel.
This song in token we sing to you,
Our parents, teachers, and friends so true.
But we will live our motto through
The years, "To thine own self be true."

COURSE OF STUDY AT TOWNSEND HIGH SCHOOL

FIRST YEAR

Classical Course	Scientific Course	Commercial Course	General Course
English I	English I	English I	English I
Latin I	Algebra I	Civics	Civics
Algebra I	Gen. Sci.	*Algebra I	*Algebra I
Civics	Civics	*Gen. Sci.	*Gen. Sci.
*Gen. Sci.	Phy. Edu.	*Latin I	*Latin I
Phy. Edu.	*Music	*Hous'd A'ts I	*Hous'd A'ts I
*Music	*Drawing	*Gl. Hou'd A'ts	*Gl. Hou'd A'ts
*Drawing		Phy. Edu.	Phy. Edu.
		*Music	*Music
		*Drawing	*Drawing
		*Manual Tr.	*Manual Tr.

SECOND YEAR

English II	English II	English II	English II
Latin II	French I	French I	*Geometry
French I	Biology	Geometry	*French I
Geometry	Geometry	Hist. to 1700	*Latin II
Phy. Edu.	*Hist. to 1700	*Latin II	*Biology
*Music	Phy. Edu.	*Biology	*Hist. to 1700
*Drawing	*Music	*Hus'd A'ts II	*Hus'd A'ts II
	*Drawing	*Gl. Hou'd A'ts	*Gl. Hou'd A'ts
		Phy. Edu.	Phy. Edu.
		*Music	*Music
		*Drawing	*Drawing
		*Manual Tr.	*Manual Tr.

THIRD YEAR

English III	English III	English III	English III
Latin III	French II	Shorthand I	2*Chemistry
French II	1Adv. Alge.	Typewriting	1*Adv. Alge.
1Adv. Algebra	2Chemistry	Bookkeeping I	*Latin III
*Hist. 1700 on	*Hist. 1700 on	Phy. Edu.	*Hist. 1700 on
2*Chemistry	Phy. Edu.	*Music	*Bookkeep'g I
Phy. Edu.	*Music	*Drawing	*Typewriting I
*Music	*Drawing		Phy. Edu.
*Drawing			*Music
			*Drawing
			*Manual Tr.

FOURTH YEAR

English IV	English IV	English IV	English IV
U. S. History	U. S. History	Shorthand II	U. S. History
*Latin IV	*French III	Typewriting II	2*Physics
*French III	2 Physics	Bookkeep'g II	1*Ad. Math.
2*Physics	2*Hist. to 1700	U. S. History	*French III
1*Adv. Math.	1*Adv. Math.	Phy. Edu.	*Latin IV
2*Hist. to 1700	Phy. Edu.	*Music	*Shorthand II
Phy. Edu.	*Music	*Drawing	*Typewrit'g II
*Music	*Drawing		Phy. Edu.
*Drawing			*Bookkeep'g
			*Music
			*Drawing
			*Manual Tr.

* Elective subjects — All others required.

Four units of prepared work must be taken each year.

Sixteen units required for graduation, including four of English, one of U. S. History, and one of Civics.

Household Arts I and II count two units each.

1. Adv. Alg. alternates with Adv. Math.
   Adv. Math equals Solid Geom. one-half year and Trignometry one-half year.
2. Alternate years.

Report of the Supervisor of Art

Mr. Wesley E. Nims

Superintendent of Schools

Townsend, Mass.

Sir:

The best known definition of Art, that of "Art is Beauty" is indeed very important at this time when in many parts of the world so many ugly things are happening. At least the principles of Art may still remain when so much else is gone.

For this reason with a greater zest we are trying to impress the pupils to appreciate the beauties, handmade and natural, that may enrich their lives.

It is urgent that we emphasize in every possible practical way, to the pupils, good styles, in color, in costumes, in furnishings, in arrangement of flowers or furniture, and in pictures so that these facts will be forever borne in mind.

These facts have formed the basis of the lessons planned. It is gratifying to find each year shows a greater improvement in freedom and skill. Pupils with extra talent are encouraged to use that talent.

The annual Poster contest conducted by the Massachusetts S.P.C.A. brings the following results:

First Prizes

Alice Fagan	Grade VI
Betty Dodge	Grade VIII
Phyllis Nortonen	Grade XI

Second Prizes

Hulda Nortonen	Grade IV
Florence Lancey	Grade VII
Clifford Elliott	Grade VIII
Alice Worth	Grade IX

Honorable Mention or 1 year's subscription to "Our Dumb Animals" a humane magazine published by the S.P.C.A.

Hilda Nortonen	Grade IV
Richard Rutherford	Grade VII
Martha Spaulding	Grade V
Lillian Elliott	Grade VII
Dorothy Vallette	Grade VIII
Mamie Nortonen	Grade X

This contest always evokes great interest.

Health and Safety Posters have been made to emphasize good habits in each.

An exhibition of student's work from each grade was held in the auditorium in June, which was well attended.

The Art Department is deeply grateful to Mr. Charles Smith for the gift of a printing frame and table which will prove to be very useful in this department.

Our Mechanical Drawing classes are very much greater in number than ever before.

I wish to thank all for their co-operation and support.

Respectfully submitted,

ELLEN K. HARVEY

Report of School Physician

Mr. Wesley E. Nims
Superintendent of Schools
Townsend, Mass.

Dear Sir:—

I herewith submit my report as School Physician.

At the regular fall examination I found the following cases:

238 pupils in perfect health
84 pupils with defective teeth
29 pupils with diseased tonsils
30 pupils with diseased tonsils and teeth

There is need of dental care among the pupils in the lower grades.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY B. BOYNTON, M. D.

School Physician.

Report of the School Nurse

Mr. Wesley E. Nims
Superintendent of Schools
Townsend, Mass.

Dear Sir:

I herewith submit my report for the year 1939.

A great deal of work has been done with the audiometer followed by the correction of hearing defects. After retesting 100 in January and 17 in March, 20 were found whom we thought had a question of hearing difficulty. Through the Health Committee, the services of a competent eye, ear, nose, and throat doctor were obtained to examine these children. The doctor made five visits from the last of March to the first of June, gave each child a complete ear, nose, and throat examination followed by treatment for those who were unable to go to a private physician.

2 impacted wax
1 pharynx
8 further treatment advised
7 tonsillectomies advised

In October audiometer tests for the 1939-40 year were given to 307. One hundred were retested and 20 of these were given a third test. All but 7 of those who were seen in the spring passed the tests. In November and December the doctor made 3 visits, examined 5 old cases, 11 new ones who showed definite hearing trouble and 5 who were questionable.

9 tonsillectomies advised — 3 will be done in January
1 impacted wax
1 T. & A. and further treatment advised

6 further treatment needed
6 are receiving this
1 is under private physician
1 question of adenoid regrowth
3 later checked with audiometer

Eleven have been tested again, 5 cleared, leaving 3 for further treatment and 3 for further examination. The big task now is to get the tonsillectomies done and with good care at home after they leave the hospital, the children could be done now instead of in the summer when the hospital clinics are crowded.

During the year 11 children were taken to the Burbank Hospital Nose and Throat Clinic for examination. Seven tonsillectomies were done during the summer.

From January through December 20 pupils were treated at school by the three doctors. Six of these, I took to Fitchburg for X-rays and 2 were treated by Fitchburg doctors for fractures.

One child was taken to the orthopedic clinic at the hospital.

Two were X-rayed at the School Tuberculosis Clinic at Ayer.

In September 45 were checked for vaccinations and 375 weighed, measured and eyes examined.

Twenty-six were found with a question of eye defect which number, on later examination, was reduced to 20. Ten children during the year have been taken to an eye specialist for examination—4 made return visits for more thorough examination under drops.

Since September with splendid co-operation from the

parents most of the eyes have been corrected. Eight were taken by me, 7 have glasses now and one could not be further corrected with new glasses.

Seven were taken by their parents, five have glasses, one is under treatment and one cannot be helped with glasses. This leaves 5 more—3 that I feel sure will be done very soon.

Dr. Boynton did 381 physical examinations in October and found 84 with defective teeth, 29 with defective tonsils, and 30 with both.

Twenty children were immunized against diphtheria by Dr. Wails at the yearly toxoid clinic.

Whooping cough	3
Scarlet Fever	4
Chicken Pox	4
Taken home with temperature	9
Home Visits	218
First Aid	510
Inspections	1,189

Respectfully submitted,

ETHEL AMIRO, R. N.
School Nurse

FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1939 AND ESTIMATE OF NEEDS FOR 1940

	Expended 1939	Needed 1940
Superintendent, Clerk and Expense	$ 1,371.23	$ 1,400.00
Teachers and Supervisors	17,219.10	*17,650.00
Janitors	1,800.00	1,900.00
Text Books and Supplies	1,626.10	1,520.00
Fuel	636.50	750.00
Miscellaneous Operating	1,464.27	1,450.00
Health	780.00	780.00
Transportation	5,938.08	6,025.00
New Equipment	236.97	150.00
Repairs	637.38	350.00
Insurance	301.60	325.00
Miscellaneous Expense	156.57	200.00
	$32,167.80	$32,500.00
Balance	32.20	
Appropriation for 1939	$32,200.00	

* $200 included for Evening School

HOUSEHOLD ARTS SALARY ACCOUNT

1. Transferred from Regular School Account and included in above Financial Statement	$ 296.39	
Received from State	188.10	
		$ 484.49
Expended for one-half Household Arts Teacher's Salary, 1939		$ 484.49

HOUSEHOLD ARTS EXPENSE ACCOUNT

2. Transferred from Regular School Appropriation, and included in Financial Statement above			$	75.00
EXPENDED:				
Groceries	$	22.24		
Gas		24.00		
Repairs to Equipment		2.40		
Books		14.09		
Supplies		10.01		
Total	$	72.74		
Balance			$	2.26

HOUSEHOLD ARTS TRAVEL ACCOUNT

Balance from Federal Funds			$	10.26
Total amount expended	$	4.86		
Balance			$	5.40

INTERIOR PAINTING ACCOUNT

Special Appropriation			$	1,150.00
Total amount expended			$	1,150.00

SKYLIGHT REPAIR ACCOUNT

Special Appropriation			$	250.00
Total amount expended	$	123.97		
Balance			$	126.03

RECEIPTS

Massachusetts School Fund, Part II	$	3,862.60
Massachusetts School Fund, Part I		2,775.00
Tuition		1,507.59
Superintendent's salary and expense		736.93
Household Arts Expense Aid		485.33
Household Arts Salary Aid		188.10
Miscellaneous		45.49

Received for Household Arts Travel (Part of the balance which was used in 1939)	4.86
Total	$ 9,605.90

STATISTICS

For Year Ending June 26, 1939

	Elem.	Jun. High	Sen. High	Total
No. of different pupils enrolled	229	88	84	401
Aggregate Atten. in days	35,189	14,442	13,193	62,824
Average daily attendance	203	81	74	358
Average membership	215	84	79	378
Av. No. days in session	173	178	178	
Teachers: Men		2	2	
Women	7	2	2	
Supervisors: Women	2			

For Year Ending Dec. 31, 1939

Population of town, census of 1935	1942
State valuation of town, 1938	$2,472,962.00
Valuation of town, per pupil in av. membership	6,542.23
Expenditures for schools	33,632.47
Per pupil in average membership	88.97
Receipts accredited to school department	9,605.90
Net expenditures for schools from local taxation	24,026.57
Per pupil in average membership	63.56

SCHOOL CENSUS, OCTOBER 1, 1939

1. Registration of Minors	Boys	Girls	Total
Persons 5-7 years of age	34	43	77
Persons 7-16 years of age	131	149	280
Illiterate Minors	0	0	0
	165	192	357

2. Distribution of Minors	5-7	7-16
In public day school membership	46	297
Not enrolled in any school	31	1
	77	280

ATTENDANCE DATA, TOWNSEND SCHOOLS
YEAR ENDING JUNE 26, 1939
SPAULDING MEMORIAL SCHOOL

Grades	Boys	Girls	Total	Av. Att.	Av. Memb.	P. C. of Att.
X-XII	47	37	84	74.07	78.51	94.34
IX	10	22	32	29.57	30.88	95.77
VIII	16	10	26	23.66	24.40	97.56
VII	18	12	30	27.82	28.67	97.38
VI	17	17	34	30.60	32.31	94.73
V	18	21	39	37.21	38.55	96.50
IV	14	26	40	36.04	37.87	95.15
III	17	16	33	31.25	32.45	96.30
II	16	11	27	23.05	24.71	93.32
I & II	9	13	22	18.99	20.76	91.51
I	17	17	34	26.27	28.49	92.20
Totals	199	202	401	358.53	377.60	94.94

Teachers in Townsend for the Year 1939-1940

School	Name	Training	Exp. Yrs.	Salary	Home
High and Junior High	Hamilton R. Bailey	Bates '25	14	$2,000.00	Townsend
	Mabel R. Simmons	Bates '23	16	1,300.00	Stoughton
	Raymond J. Amiro	Salem State Teachers College '36	3	1,050.00	Townsend
	Pearl Russell	Tufts College '31	8	1,025.00	Townsend
	Donald E. Domina	Fitchburg State Tea. College '35	2	1,000.00	Townsend
	Frances Martin	Framingham State Tea. College '37	2	1,000.00	Worcester
	Helen Wanamaker	Tufts College '38	1	1,050.00	Somerville
	Richard D. Roberts	Fitchburg State Tea. College, Spec.	5	1,050.00	Townsend
Grade VI	Edna Wilder	Fitchburg State Tea. College '03	36	1,025.00	Townsend
Grade V	Violet Faneuf	Lowell State Tea. College '23	10	1,025.00	Lowell
Grade IV	Thelma Wright	Fitchburg State Tea. College '35	3	950.00	Townsend
Grade III	Ruth E. Brooks	Fitchburg State Tea. College '24	15	1,025.00	Ashby
Grade II	Ora W. Smith	Fitchburg State Tea. College '17	19	1,025.00	Townsend
Grade I	Dorothy Riley	Lowell State Tea. College '32	4	1,000.00	Lowell
Grades I-II	Ethel M. Sullivan	Lowell State Tea. College '33	3	950.00	Lowell
Art	Hazel Johnson	Lowell State Tea. College '32	7	273.00	Lowell
Music	Ellen K. Harvey	N. Y. Sch. of Fine & Applied Arts	30	472.00	Townsend

ENROLLMENT OF TOWNSEND SCHOOLS, JANUARY, 1940

Grades	I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	IX	X	XI	XII	Total
Boys	21	16	17	18	12	18	15	16	17	13	14	6	183
Girls	21	20	18	13	23	21	11	11	11	21	11	19	200
Totals	42	36	35	31	35	39	26	27	28	34	25	25	383

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE

Townsend Public Library

AND OF THE

Hart Free Library Building

To the Board of Selectmen:

The Trustees present the 46th annual report for the year ending December 31, 1939. At the annual Town Meeting in March Mr. C. B. Willard was re-elected a Trustee for three years.

Books have been given to the library as follows:

Name	No. Volumes
Commonwealth of Massachusetts	9
Dr. and Mrs. R. S. Ely	9
Mrs. Forest Richards	9
Mrs. F. W. Wood	7
Mr. C. A. Clark	4
Mrs. William Lowrey	3
The William Reeves Family	8
Mrs. Lillian Spaulding	8
Mrs. F. J. Baumis	4
Hon. Joseph E. Casey	4
Mrs. R. G. Fessenden	3
Mrs. Charles Richards	2
Stickney Family Reunion Members	1
Hamburg American Line	1
Dr. and Mrs. M. W. Adams	1
E. A. Filene Associates	1
Wallace Nutting	1
Mrs. L. C. Shaul	1

Miss Helen Ferris	1
Mrs. Frank M. Bailey	1
B. M. McConnell	1
Dorothy Vallette	1
Raymond Pitcairn	1
Country Life Press Corporation	1
Harold V. Smith	1
Trade Commissioners for the Neatherlands Indias	1
American Finnish Commissioners	1
Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System	1
C. B. Willard	1

P. M. Eastman, 10 bulletins from the Bureau of Plant Industry, N. Y.

Thirty periodicals are regularly received, of these eleven are given as follows:

American Girl	Mrs. R. G. Fessenden
Boys' Life	American Legion Aux. Unit 199
Cooperator	F. N. Boutelle
Du Pont Magazine	Publishers
Fortune	Dr. R. S. Ely
Herald of Holiness	Publishers
National Grange Monthly	T. E. Flarity
Specialty Salesman	Publishers
Our Dumb Animals	Publishers
The Townsend Times	Publishers
Your Faith	Merton G. Jefts

The Library subscribes for

American Boy	Ladies Home Journal
American Home	National Geographic Magazine
American Magazine	Life
Atlantic Monthly	McCalls
Better Homes and Gardens	Nature Magazine
Child Life	Popular Mechanics
Colliers	Reader's Digest
Good Housekeeping	Saturday Evening Post
Harper's Monthly Magazine	Time

Woman's Home Companion

Of the 87 volumes given to the Library, 42 were new and most of the others in fair condition.

Mr. Michael Sheedy of Groton presented the Library with a framed etching of Spaulding Memorial School, which has been placed in the Library.

The Trustees have extended the hospitality of our upstairs room to the Red Cross for nine First Aid Lessons, to the Townsend Woman's Club when your Librarian spoke to them of the new books just published and to the Historical Society for their fall meeting. The Historical Room has also been used for Red Cross meetings. We regard these opportunities of sharing our pleasant room as a distinctly civic service to the town. Pleasant relations have been maintained between the schools and the library and any suggestion of books that will be of use to the schools are welcomed by the Trustees.

During the year our "Rules and Regulations" have been revised and some needed changes made.

The young men at the camp in the Harbor seem to find satisfaction from the use of our books, several are regular borrowers.

Our registered borrowers now number 1079, a little more than half of our population. While our circulation has fallen below last year's, it is not a cause for regret as better and more instructive books are being read and constantly asked for.

Beautiful flowers have been given to the Library and have given a choice happiness to all who have seen them, for these and for all other gifts we would give appreciative thanks.

I wish to commend our boys and girls for their unfailing

and kindly courtesy to me and for their splendid deportment in the Library.

Respectfully submitted,

EVELYN L. WARREN,

Librarian

46TH ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1939

Name of Library	Townsend Public Library
Town: Townsend	Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Name of Librarian	(Mrs.) Evelyn L. Warren
Name of Assistant Librarian	(Mrs.) Hattie M. Davis
Date of Founding	1858 as an Agricultural Library
In 1882 made a free Town Library	
Assessed valuation of the town in 1939	$2,102,620.00
Terms of use	Free for reference and reading
Number of days open during the year	204
Number of hours open each week	20
Number of periodicals currently received	30

CIRCULATION

For the year	15,001
Circulation per borrower	13 plus
Circulation per capita	7 plus
Fiction circulated	11,414
Non-Fiction circulated	3,587
Population served (1935 census)	1942

ACCESSIONS

Volumes in the library Dec. 31, 1938	14,180	
Withdrawn during the year	5	
		14,175

Added by purchase	214
Added by gift	87
Total number of volumes in the Library December 31, 1939	14,476

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE ENSUING YEAR

Insurance	$ 131.60	
Librarian's salary	600.00	
Assistant's salary	16.00	
Janitor's salary	240.00	
Books	142.40	
Periodicals	45.00	
Binding	50.00	
All other incidentals and supplies	50.00	
		$1275.00

There will be available for carrying out these recommendations the unappropriated refunded dog licenses of $441.64 leaving a balance for the town to appropriate of $833.36.

Respectfully submitted,

CARL B. WILLARD, Chairman
EVELYN L. WARREN, Clerk
ROBERT G. FESSENDEN

Board of Trustees

Report of Chief of Police

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen,
Townsend, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

During the past nine months that I have been on duty as a permanent Police Officer, I am pleased to report a substantial reduction in speeders, which I think is the main point as far as traffic is concerned. To be sure there still remain, to a far lesser degree, those who have not been contacted either through verbal or written warnings or through the Court or Registry of Motor Vehicles about this menace.

Unfortunately the approaches to the three parts of the Town are smooth, straight roads and in my estimation this alone can be held accountable for the great percentage of cars that travel too fast through the Town.

The signs on Route No. 119 are of little help as they show no speed limit and although the State has laws regarding thickly settled districts, it would be more effective if the limit and not the condition was on the signs.

The 20 M.P.H. signs on Brookline St. are quite effective but they are not the type of signs that can be readily distinguished in the dark and this greatly reduces their effectiveness at night.

It is very noticeable that the violations of the Stop Signs at Route No. 119 and No. 13 occur, in practically every case, in the day time. This indicates that the corner has not sufficient traffic control. However this is a State affair and

according to their surveys there is not enough traffic at this point to warrant traffic lights.

Above all it is gratifying to report that there has been a sharp reduction in automobile accidents, and this has definitely brought about a record which shows no fatalities and few personal injuries.

The department is sorely in need of some equipment in which records may be filed. These records could then be kept for future reference, a definite essential in efficient Police work.

It is now an established fact that a salaried Police officer cannot collect a witness fee unless the case is continued at the request of the defendant. The cost of obtaining summonses and prosecuting automobile cases in Court is so great that this department is of the opinion that, except in extreme cases, the same result can be obtained by action of the Registry of Motor Vehicles which gives its full support to Police Departments.

Following is a report of Court cases and complaints received and work done.

CASES IN DISTRICT COURT

Drunk and disturbing the peace	3
Drunk	5
Drunk and Assault	1
Assault with attempt to rape	1
Driving under the influence of liquor	1
Bastardy	1
Larceny	1
Using an automobile without permission	2
Failing to stop at stop signs	4
Speeding	12
Failing to slow down for pedestrians	1
Failing to slow down for intersection	2

Juvenile delinquency	2
Total	36

CASES IN SUPERIOR COURT

Assault with attempt to rape	1
Larceny	14
Breaking, entering and larceny	6
Robbery	1
Assault and battery	3
Disturbing the Peace	2
Non-support	3
Desertion	1
Defrauding by Check	2
Drunkenness	22
Drunken drivers	2
Auto accidents	17
Stolen cars	4
Stolen cars recovered	4
Hit and run accidents	2
Vagrants	5
Disturbances	3
Disputes	1
Insane persons taken to Hospital	5
Suicides	3
Stolen bicycles recovered	3
Stubborn children	1
Accosting	1
Child bitten by dog	1
Malicious mischief	2
Runaway boys	2
Juvenile complaints	11
Cruelty to animals	1
Animal rescue	2
Destruction of property	3
Emergency trips to Hospital	3
Prowlers	2
Fires	9

Summonses served	5
Arrests made for out of Town Officers	2
Assisting out of Town Officers	5
Dogs killed by cars	1
Lost persons	1
Investigation for Welfare Board	1
Auto licenses revoked	2
Auto licenses suspended	13
Right to operate suspended	2
Auto registration revoked	1
Auto licenses reinstated	9
Automobile transfers	55
Tickets for defective equipment	147
Cars booked for violations	206
Total complaints	591
Miles travelled on patrol and investigation	13,277

Respectfully submitted,

HOWARD B. MORSE

Chief of Police

Report of the Dog Officer

To the Board of Selectmen,
Townsend, Mass.

Gentlemen:

Following is my report as Dog Officer from June 14, 1939 to Dec. 31, 1939.

Stray Dogs	8
Dogs destroyed	9
Dogs killed by cars	6
Dogs ordered restrained	12
Chickens killed by dogs	5
Complaints	17
Total	57

Taxes collected and paid to Town Clerk $51.00

Most of the dogs killed by cars were on Main St., Townsend Harbor.

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR B. BORNEMAN

Dog Officer

Please pay your dog tax to the Town Clerk early and save yourself trouble and expense.

Report of the Tax Collector

To the Board of Selectmen
Townsend, Mass.

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my report as tax collector for the Town of Townsend for the year ending December 31, 1939:

TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS, LEVY OF 1934

POLL TAX ACCOUNT :

Due January 1, 1939	$	4.00
Abated		4.00

EXCISE ACCOUNT:

Due January 1, 1939	2.89
Abated	2.89

TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS, LEVY OF 1935

POLL TAX ACCOUNT :

Due January 1, 1939	4.00
Abated	4.00

TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS, LEVY OF 1936

EXCISE ACCOUNT:

Due January 1, 1939	2.00
Abated	2.00

TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS, LEVY OF 1937

POLL TAX ACCOUNT :

Due January 1, 1939		2.00
Collected and paid Treasurer		2.00

EXCISE ACCOUNT:

Due January 1, 1939	199.16	
Audit adjustment	1.63	
		200.79
Collected and paid Treasurer	128.01	
Abated	72.78	
		200.79

INTEREST ACCOUNT:

Interest Collected and paid Treasurer		1.72

REAL ESTATE:

Due January 1, 1939		13,421.31
Collected and paid Treasurer	12,870.96	
Abatements	431.41	
Tax Titles	117.94	
Warrant in excess of commitment	1.00	
		13,421.31

INTEREST ACCOUNT:

Interest collected and paid Treasurer	714.73

NOTE: The rate of interest is reduced from 6% to 4 1-2%

TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS, LEVY OF 1938

POLL TAX ACCOUNT :

Due January 1, 1939	28.00

Collected and paid Treasurer	6.00	
Abated	22.00	
		28.00

EXCISE ACCOUNT:

Due January 1, 1939		164.96
Collected and paid Treasurer	111.89	
Abated	51.44	
Audit adjustment	1.63	
		164.96

REAL ESTATE:

Due January 1, 1939	26,464.42	
Refund to collector	1.20	
Audit adjustment on tax title	63.84	
		26,529.46
Collected and paid Treasurer	12,374.46	
Abatements	321.56	
Warrant in excess of commitment	4.22	
Uncollected	13,829.22	
		26,529.46

INTEREST ACCOUNT:

Interest collected and paid Treasurer	268.44

NOTE: Interest rate reduced to 4%

TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS, LEVY OF 1939

POLL TAX ACCOUNT :

Commitment		1,522.00
Collected and paid Treasurer	1,218.00	
Abated	290.00	

Uncollected	14.00	
		1,522.00
Demands collected and paid Treasurer		3.85

NOTE: Poll tax abatements as follows:

Over 70 years of age	138.00	
Poor on relief	12.00	
C.C.C. Boys	100.00	
Left town or paid elsewhere	40.00	
		290.00

EXCISE ACCOUNT:

Commitment	3,396.40	
Refunds	7.91	
		3,404.31
Collected and paid Treasurer	3,160.68	
Abatements	150.06	
Uncollected	93.57	
		3,404.31

NOTE: Abatements on exchanged cars

REAL ESTATE:

Commitment	61,208.31	
December commitment	220.41	
Personal commitment	5,234.62	
Refunds	279.86	
To be refunded	6.32	
		66,949.52
Collected and paid Treasurer	37,275.06	
Abatements	886.26	

Refunds	524.40	
Uncollected	28,263.80	
		66,949.52

INTEREST ACCOUNT:

Interest collected and paid Treasurer	10. 35

NOTE: Refunds practically all Hurricane Damage.

Respectfully submitted,

C. J. ALTMILLER

Tax Collector

Report of the Inspector of Animals

The annual inspection of barns and cattle has been completed. Cattle are kept on 82 premises; total number of cows, 222; young stock 75; 10 bulls; 2 oxen and 2 steers.

There were no reactors to the T. B. test during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

LYMAN A. COOK

Report of Slaughtering

Killed by Albert Funaiole: 30 cows, 75 calves and 96 pigs.

Respectfully submitted,

LYMAN A. COOK

Report of the Board of Fire Engineers

To the Board of Selectmen:

Under the new system inaugurated by the Board of Engineers whereby the Chief of the Fire Department is not a member of the Board, or any member of the Board a Fireman, a better operating condition exists.

The Fire Chief has less responsibilities, thereby being able to devote more time to the Department.

By competitive bids, we have been able to purchase supplies at a saving to the taxpayers.

Suggestions for improvements in the Fire Department were asked of the members of the three companies to be taken into consideration by the Board.

The majority of the Board of Engineers feel that twenty-five regular salaried firemen are sufficient for this town. Ten at the Center, ten at West Townsend, and five at the Harbor to be supported by enough auxiliary (non-salaried) substitute firemen to be paid by the hour when working. These men to fill in when needed at the request of the Chief or the Foreman of each company. The number of substitutes to be the same in each company as the regulars.

These substitutes will be required to train, drill and to receive instructions from the Regular Firemen at no expense to the Department and act as replacements at any time.

The appropriation of $500 voted at the Special Town Meeting of December 30, will be used for purchasing five new batteries for the five Fire trucks. Four new tires and

tubes for the Harbor Hose Truck, booster brakes for the pumper at the Center and West Townsend as they were badly needed. We also hope to purchase 500 feet of 2 1-2 inch single jacket hose.

One First Aid Kit for each Company and any other necessity of immediate need to the Department.

The equipment needs overhauling and many replacements are necessary as well as more hose, and better hose will cost more but last longer.

Respectfully submitted,

BENJAMIN P. POOR
ANTHONY PERINA, Clerk, pro tem
LOUIS WELCH
EDWARD F. HALE

Report of Chief of Fire Department

To the Board of Selectmen:

I herewith submit the following report for the year ending Dec. 31, 1939:

Total number of calls to extinguish fires during the year was 95, as follows:

Chimney fires	39
Building fires	14
Brush and Grass fires	40
Oil burners	1
Auto fires	1
Total	95

Value of property endangered	$27,800.00
Loss on property	5,570.77
Insurance paid	4,590.77

The following is the roster of the department:

BOARD OF ENGINEERS

Louis Welch, Chairman
Robert G. Fessenden, Clerk
Edward F. Hale
Anthony Perina
Leon Marshall
Benjamin Poor

SQUANICOOK CO., NO. 1

Herbert Wilson, Foreman
Walter Hamel, First Asst. Foreman
Joseph R. Arlin, Steward

Emerson Chace, Second Asst. Foreman
Raymond Floyd, Clerk and Treasurer

Charles Wright
Clinton Merrill
Paul Prevost (Charles Walsh)
George V. Powell
Kenneth Robichaud
Edgar Ganong (Maurice Hamel)
Wallace Arlin
Clarence Jodrey
Waldo Leahy

ECLIPSE ENGINE CO. NO. 2

George S. Shepherd, Foreman
Ralph E. Powers, First Asst. Foreman
Richard D. Rusk, Second Asst. Foreman and Steward
Daniel B. Ormsby, Treasurer
Warren Elliot, Clerk

Lawrence Welch
David Berard
Edward W. Tumber
Harvey Jodrey
Elwin Shepherd
William Robbins
William P. Saunders

HARBOR HOSE CO. NO. 3

Louis Josselyn, Foreman
Chas. A. Connors, First Asst. Foreman
Chas. Liddell, Clerk and Treas.
Ernest Hamel, Steward
Chas. Neill
Clyde Stetson

Respectfully submitted

HARRY C. FELCH,

Chief of the Fire Department

Report of the Town Treasurer

Balance, January 1, 1939	$ 15,867.63	
Receipts, Jan. 1 to Dec. 31, 1939	211,799.89	
	227,667.52	
Disbursements		$203,262.27
Balance, December 31, 1939		24,405.25
		227,667.52
Tax Titles, December 31, 1939		3,348.13
Tax Title Possessions		258.06

TRUST FUNDS ARE DEPOSITED AS FOLLOWS

CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE:

Chelsea Savings Bank	$5,000.00	
Gardner Savings Bank	5,000.00	
Townsend National Bank	5,000.00	
Worcester North Savings Inst.	5,000.00	
Winchendon Savings Bank	4,275.00	
Fitchburg Savings Bank	4,979.00	
New York City Bond	550.00	
Total Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds		$ 29,804.00

OTHER CEMETERY FUNDS:

Joel Giles General Care Fund, Winchendon Savings Bank	$ 2,000.00
James N. Tucker Fund Winchendon Savings Bank	500.00
Ai Richards Floral Fund Townsend National Bank	100.00

Annice M. Gilson Floral Fund		
Townsend National Bank	150.00	
Henry A. Miner Floral Fund		
Worcester North Savings Inst.	100.00	
Gustav Anderson Floral Fund		
Townsend National Bank	100.00	
		2,950.00

WORTHY POOR FUNDS:

Susan B. Wilson Fund		
Franklin Savings Bank	334.00	
Harriet Spaulding Fund		
North Middlesex Savings Bank	300.00	
Abram S. French Fund		
Worcester North Savings Inst.	5,000.00	
		5,634.00

LIBRARY:

Charles Emery Fund	500.00	
W. Townsend Reading Room Fund	5,000.00	
Worcester North Savings Institution		5,500.00

SCHOOL:

Maria L. Lane Fund		
Balance, December 31, 1938	1,511.83	
Accrued Interest	47.82	
Balance Dec. 31, 1939		1,559.65
Fitchburg Savings Bank		

JOHN BIRNEY BLOOD MONUMENT FUND:

Winchendon Savings Bank	1,000.00	
Worcester North Savings Inst.	2,000.00	

North Middlesex Savings Bank	2,055.85	
		5,055.85
Funds in Custody of the Town Treasurer		$50,503.50

AMANDA E. DWIGHT FUNDS:

Library	$10,654.31	
Cemeteries	6,388.10	
Worthy Poor	9,053.90	
Lectures and Entertainments	8,499.41	
In Custody of the New England Trust Co.		$34,595.72
TOTAL TRUST FUNDS		$ 85,099.22

Respectfully submitted,

WM. H. MILLINGTON

Town Treasurer

Report of Highway Department

To the Board of Selectmen
Town of Townsend

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my report as Superintendent of Streets for the year ending December 31, 1939.

The following are the bids received for gravel and screened sand as required by the State:

	Gravel		Scree'd sand	
	at plant	del.	at plant	del.
T. J. Hayes Co., Fitchburg	.25	1.00	.50	1.25
P. J. Keating Co., Fitchburg	1.10	1.50	.50	.90
Roy Elliott, Townsend	.10	.60	.40	.70

Under Chapter 81, two thousand cubic yards of gravel were, in the spring, hauled to the out-lying roads to make them passable in so far as it seemed feasible to do so. The dirt roads were scraped as soon as the season permitted and the oil roads patched. Oiling was not begun until the last of July because the Legislature did not pass the Budget until then. The following roads were resurfaced; South Harbor, School, Emery, Old Back Road, Water, Meadow, New Fitchburg, Barker Hill, and parts of Townsend Hill, Warren, Lunenburg, Turnpike, Adams, Highland, North End, and Bayberry Hill. Old City Road was shaped and given two coats of asphalt as far as Wornham's. Fifteen hundred feet of Emery Road was oiled and the Turnpike was refinished as far as the bridge. S-Hill on South Row was graveled and the hill from Fletchers to the foot of Donovan's Hill. New Fitchburg from Tillikka's to Wyman's was graveled and oiled.

Barker Hill from Austin Smith's to the foot of the hill below Wither's was graveled and oiled. North End road from Townsend Hill Road to the foot of Ojala's Hill was graveled and oiled. Bayberry Hill from Bloods to Clement's Road and from Brown's to Lunenburg Road was graveled and oiled. The following roads were graveled in the fall: Worcester Road from Vinton's to Blood's Road, Adams Road from the oiled road to Highland Street, South Row from Fletcher's to South Harbor Road, these roads are to be oiled this coming season. Considerable work was done to improve the drainage of the roads in general.

Under Chapter 90 Maintenance, Mason, Old Fitchburg and Brookline Roads were re-surfaced where needed. Guard rails were painted on Old Fitchburg and Mason Roads. Considerable drainage was done on the Old Fitchburg Road. The soft shoulders on the Old Fitchburg Road were dug out and filled with gravel and oiled. A start was made to eliminate the bad curve on Brookline Road. Several large trees were removed and the shoulders cut back and filled with gravel.

Under Chapter 90 Construction, Warren Road project was completed in June. As there were a great many trees to be removed, a deep cut made and two deep fills made only 1950 feet was constructed.

The following is the list of men and trucks employed by the Highway Department and the total wages received in 1939 under Chapters 81, 90 construction, 90 maintenance, village streets and bridges, and snow removal.

Ray Elliott, truck	$ 2,376.87
Lauri Mattila, truck	1,048.50
John Robichaud, truck	1,849.06
Mervin Wares, truck	236.00
B. P. Poor, Sup't and expenses	1,484.62
Henry Barlow	541.00
Feora Barrett	6.25

John Buono	7.50
Percy Brown	147.00
Gilman Conant	596.00
Howard Greenough	24.00
William Hanna	212.50
George Joki	720.25
Emil Johnson	594.75
Thomas Lagasse	627.88
Jesse Lillibridge	9.88
John MacDonald	94.75
Henry Mattila	248.50
Laforest Merrill	600.75
William Meyer	56.00
Alex Roos	756.55
George Sullivan	225.50
Edward Tumber	620.25
George Valcourt	8.75
Ralph Wilson	160.00
Albert Wyman	208.50
Clarence Wyman	759.00
Less than $5 each	36.24

Respectfully submitted,

BENJAMIN P. POOR

Superintendent of Streets

Middlesex County Extension Service

The following is a report of the work of the Middlesex County Extension Service in the town of Townsend during the year 1939:

Dairy farmers in town during the year have been interested in the pasture demonstration carried on on the Lyman Cook farm, especially in the growing of Ladino clover, a new legume in this section. An effort was made earlier in the year to get farmers interested in keeping farm accounts. Assistance has been given on milk marketing problems by interpreting the Federal Milk Market Orders and Regulations. Many requests have been received from the poultrymen for assistance in disease control, rearing practices and poultry breeding. Several well attended poultry meetings have been held in town, having largely to do with poultry housing and brooding. Mr. Leo Makkela of Bayberry Hill has assisted greatly in Extension Service poultry work. Mr. M. E. Powers, West Townsend, has been a director in the Massachusetts Poultry Producers' Inc.

The West Townsend homemakers' Extension unit has been most active during 1939. They have taken the consumer buying of foods and clothing, food preparation, chair reseating, reupholstery and the making of slip covers. A group of Townsend homemakers also made slip covers.

4-H Club Work has been developed in town during the year under the chairmanship of Hamilton Bailey and the following served as leaders: Miss Phillis Hillner, Miss Ruth Canty, Miss Catherine Proctor, Mrs. Dorothy Plett, Mrs. Charles Richards, Mrs. Sanford Johnson and Mrs. Alice Leahy. Sixty boys and girls were enrolled in club work in 1938-1939 in Townsend. All clubs were under excellent adult supervision. The town rally was well attended in the winter.

All groups took part in the town exhibit held with the Grange in the spring. Ruth Richards and Mary Jane Plett and John Leahy attended County Camp at Amherst. The canning club was one of the best in the section. Frances Leahy canned over one hundred jars of fruits and vegetables. All girls exhibited at Acton Fair and received awards in canning. The following were awarded cash prizes on their excellent gardens by the Middlesex North Agricultural Society: Stuart Johnson, Francis and John Leahy, Allan Saarinen and Wilfred Valcourt. Ruth Richards, Mary Jane Plett, David Proctor and John Leahy attended Camp Middlesex. John and Francis Leahy were two very interested poultry club members and entered eggs in the New Hampshire Egg and Baby Chick Show. Stewart Johnson was an outstanding member in poultry too in the Baby Chick project. He housed around one hundred birds of his own this fall.

A. F. MACDOUGALL, Director

Report of Cemetery Commissioners

To the Board of Selectmen
Town of Townsend

Gentlemen:

The Cemetery Commission make the following report:

The work of cleaning up the hurricane damage has been generally completed. The summer of 1939 was a severe one on the lots, those especially that are in poor condition. We would earnestly request the owners to have their lots repaired this summer. The hearse house has been painted and a paper roofing put on the shed.

We have planted thirty trees with the funds available, others were by private donations. It is hoped that anyone interested will subscribe to this program so that we can complete it in both cemeteries this summer. A card index of Riverside Cemetery is being made so that a record can be kept in the town vault.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

ANNUAL CARE OF LOTS

Jan. 1, 1939, Uncollected Annual Care	$278.15	
Jan. 1, 1939, Uncollected Foundations	8.00	
Dec. 31, 1939, Founda'n and Rent charges	57.50	
Dec. 31, 1939, Annual care charges	323.75	
Annual care, 1940, in advance	.25	
Total to be collected		$667.65
Collected and paid Treasurer		
Annual care	325.65	
Foundations and Markers	53.50	

Rent of Lowering device	6.00	
Sale of Pump	5.00	
Audit adjustment	6.00	
		$396.15
Total uncollected Dec. 31, 1939		271.50

Respectfully submitted,

E. C. MORGAN
J. W. LIVINGSTON
A. C. HODGMAN

Cemetery Commissioners

Report of Water Department

In 1938 the maintenance and operating cost of the department was $3,749.73. $3,600 was appropriated for the year 1939. Due to a severe drouth, pumping costs were doubled and an unusual number of takers came onto the system making it necessary for the finance committee to transfer an additional $110 from the revenue account to the water department. The actual cost fo rmaintenance and operation for the year ending December 31, 1939, was therefore $3,708.69.

The department is requesting a Budget for maintenance and operating expense of $3,700 for the year 1940.

In addition to this $1,000 was voted the department at the special town meeting in December, for the purpose of painting the standpipe and overhauling the Diesel engine. Plans are now being made to take care of this work.

The income for the year 1939 was $10,771.13. The maintenance and interest charges were $7,651.19, leaving $3,-119,94 to apply toward cost of system (original construction and extensions.)

Reference to the statement of Town Debt shows that there will be one $5,000 bond to be paid annually to June 1, 1948, thereafter being reduced to $4,000 annually until June 1, 1964. There is also one more note of $1,000 to be paid September 15, 1940, on the 1936 (Groton Line) extension.

This year it will be necessary to raise by taxation:

Original bond issue note due June 1, 1940	$5,000.00
Groton Line Ext. note due Sept. 15, 1940	1,000.00

Interest on original construction bonds and extension note	3,750.00
Total required for water debt to be raised by taxation in 1940	$9,750.00

In 1938, $8,469.34 was raised by taxation to be used with the balance of $6,992.83 from the original construction account to meet debt and interest requirements for that year. In 1939 this sum was $9,942.50, the original construction account having been used up. This year it will be necessary to raise $9,750.00 for this purpose.

Against this, the department has this year actually taken in $3,119.94 more than the maintenance and interest costs which should be charged off against the bonded debt, whereas a year ago this amount was $813.09, and two years ago it was $11.90.

It seems clear from these facts that within two or three years, if no more extensions are added, the income from the water system will be sufficient to meet all operating and maintenance costs, interest charges, and original construction bond payments. as they become due.

We believe that the citizens of Townsend should consider carefully the advisability of becoming involved in any more costly extensions until such time as the income from the system is sufficient to pay for them.

Interest charges for 1939 were $3,942.50 and for 1940 will be $3,750.00. This is raised annually as a separate item in the budget.

As a part of this report you will find detailed accounts

covering maintenance and collections as submitted by Richard A. Keefe, Superintendent.

HAMILTON R. BAILEY, Chairman
IRA D. CARLETON, Secretary
HOLLIS HATHAWAY

Board of Water Commissioners

WATER SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

To the Board of Water Commissioners:

I herewith submit my report as superintendent and collector for the water department for the year 1939.

WATER REVENUE ACCOUNT

Uncollected and cash on hand Dec. 31, 1938	$ 463.10	
Charges for use of water	6,407.87	
Hydrants	3,480.00	
		$10,323.97
Collected and paid Treasurer		
For use of water	$ 6,291.13	
Hydrants	3,480.00	
Abatement—Frank R. Dudley, Hotel	20.00	
Uncollected Dec. 31, 1939	532.84	
		$10,323.97

ANNUAL MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT

Appropriation	$ 3,600.00

Transfer from Reserve Fund			110.00
			$ 3,710.00
Richard A. Keefe	$ 1,300.00		
Arthur A. Koykka	50.00		
Superintendent Salaries		$ 1,350.00	
Insurance		53.78	
Collector's bond		10.00	
Hydrants		20.00	
Diesel expense		123.45	
Equipment and Supplies		92.75	
Coal		94.60	
Electric power		794.25	
Express and Postage		24.45	
Truck		153.90	
Service labor		359.25	
Service material		602.09	
Telephone		27.17	
Registration and transfer		3.00	
			$ 3,708.69
Unexpended Balance			$ 1.31

No. of gallons of water pumped with Diesel power 13,337,546

No. of gallons of water pumped with electric power 29,741,508

Monthly consumption

January	1,943,534
February	1,697,904
March	2,459,845
April	2,001,888
May	3,119,622
June	6,089,378
July	8,777,389
August	5,320,562

September	3,041,118	
October	2,632,770	
November	2,446,406	
December	2,548,639	
Total Consumption		43,079,054

During the months of May, June, July and August the pump was operated 24 hours a day for several days each month.

Services added during 1939	48
Total number of services	352
Cost of pumping per gallon 1938	.00277 cents
Cost of pumping per gallon 1939	.00213 cents

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD A. KEEFE,

Superintendent.

Report of Accountant

To the Board of Selectmen of Townsend:

I submit the following report for the year ending December 31, 1939, classified according to the books of the Division of Accounts of the Commonwealth:

RECEIPTS

TAXES

From the Tax Collector

Levy of 1939, property	$37,275.06	
Levy of 1939, polls	1,218.00	
Levy of 1938, property	12,374.46	
Levy of 1938, polls	6.00	
Levy of 1937, property	12,870.96	
Levy of 1937, polls	2.00	
		$63,746.48
M. V. Excise tax, 1939	3,160.68	
M. V. Excise tax, 1938	111.89	
M. V. Excise tax, 1937	128.01	
M. V. Excise tax, 1936	2.00	
		$3,402.58

From the Commonwealth

Income tax, state valuation	$3,610.00	
Income tax, educational purposes	2,775.00	
Income tax, Chap. 362, Acts of 1936	173.62	
Corporation tax, business	4,945.79	
For loss of taxes, state owned land	692.80	
		$12,197.21

LICENSES, PERMITS AND FINES

Local Licenses:		
Automobile Dealers	20.00	
Beano games	15.00	
Butcher	5.00	
Gasoline registrations	12.00	
Innholders	10.00	
Hackney	2.00	
Junk	15.00	
Victuallers	9.00	
		$88.00
Dog licenses collected for County by Town Clerk		550.20
Nashoba Health District, milk licenses		8.00
Board of Health for alcohol permits		11.00
From the State, peddlers' licenses		48.00
From the State, Highway vendors		30.00

DEPARTMENTAL

General Government		
Memorial Hall, rent	$385.80	
Seminary Hall, rent	84.00	
		$469.80
Protection		
Sealer of Weights and Measures	31.62	
B. & M. R. R. for Fires	20.65	
		52.27
Health and Sanitation		
Town Nurse, fees and collections	121.25	
Insurance Companies on Nurse acct.	51.50	
		172.75

Highways		
Refund for overpayment	6.68	
From the County on several roads	3,959.43	
From the State:		
On several roads	15,340.16	
Chapter 236, Acts of 1939	6,778.04	
Credits of Road Machinery Fund	556.85	
		26,641.16
Public Welfare		
Relief Reimbursements:		
From the State for temporary aid	57.75	
From the State, Aid to Dependent Children	729.91	
From Individuals	180.94	
From City of Fitchburg	238.12	
From City of Gardner	71.96	
From Town of Pepperell	360.00	
		1.638.68
Federal Government:		
Aid to Dependent Children	537.93	
A. D. C. Administration expense	44.55	
		582.48
Income from Trust Funds for Poor:		
Amanda E. Dwight Fund	326.77	
Spaulding and Wilson Funds	14.18	
		340.95
Infirmary:		
Board	25.00	
Milk	222.00	
Eggs	56.48	
Rent of cottage	72.00	

Sale of calf	4.00	
Telephone Collections	13.40	
		392.88

Old Age Assistance

From the Federal Government	12,477.50	
Fed. Government for Administration expenses	415.87	
From the State	7,958.20	
From other cities and towns	151.50	
Refunded by Individual	450.00	
		21,453.07

Soldiers' Benefits

State Aid for Veterans' widows	240.00	
From State for Soldiers' Burials	64.50	
Veterans' exemptions from State	13.42	
		317.92

Schools

Mass. School Fund	$3,862.60	
Town of Mason, tuition	935.18	
Town of Greenville, tuition	181.56	
For tuition of State Wards.	390.85	
School Superintendent, small towns	736.93	
For Household Arts expense aid	485.33	
Household Arts salary aid	188.10	
Rent and lights of school hall	36.00	
Telephone and replacements	9.49	
		$6,826.04

Library

Dog licenses refunded by County	451.29	
Fines on books and sales	67.54	
Income, Amanda E. Dwight library Fund	452.35	

Income, Charles Emery Fund	12.52	
		983.70
Unclassified		
Tax titles redeemed	1,004.34	
Sale of lumber, Howard Park	223.28	
Sale of old town barn lot	80.00	
Other income from Trust Funds:		
Dwight Entertainment Fund	354.52	
Blood Monument Fund	131.38	
Homer Fund, West T. Reading Room	125.00	
Abram S. French Fund	125.00	
Marie Lane Fd., accrued interest	47.82	
		2,091.34
Water Department		
Rentals	6,291.13	
Hydrants	3,480.00	
		9,771.13
Cemeteries		
Collections for annual care	325.65	
Foundations and sale of markers	53.50	
Sale of pump	5.00	
Rent of lowering device	6.00	
Sale of lots and graves	58.78	
Income from Trust Funds:		
Pereptual care of lots	768.84	
Amanda E. Dwight Fund	258.09	
Joel Giles Fund	60.00	
James H. Tucker Fund	15.00	
Henry Miner Floral Fund	2.52	
Annice M. Gilson Floral Fund	3.00	
Ai Richards Floral Fund	2.00	

Gustavus Anderson Floral Fund	2.00	
		1,560.38
Interest		
On deferred taxes	999.09	
On tax title redemptions	114.14	
State refund, tax title loan interest	15.30	
Refund on water loan	.01	
		1,128.54
Municipal Indebtedness		
In anticipation of taxes	50,000.00	
Anticipation of highway reimbursement	5,000.00	
Loan on tax titles to reduce levy	2,500.00	
		57,500.00
Trust Funds		
For cemetery perpetual care of lots		400.00
Total receipts for the year		$212,404.56
Transfers (To be deducted, not cash items)		
Highway credits, Rd. Mach. Fund	5568.5	
Maria Lane Fd., aaccrued interest	47.82	
		604.67
Total cash receipts for the year		$211,799.89
Cash on hand, January 1, 1939		15,867.63
GRAND TOTAL		$227,667.52

PAYMENTS

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

MODERATOR

Salary		$ 10.00

SELECTMEN

Salaries		
Willard A. Greer	$ 234.00	
Earle S. Bagley	166.00	
Hollis Hathaway	150.00	
		550.00
Expense:		
Perambulating town lines	10.00	
Attendance County Com. meeting	10.00	
Selectmen's Association dues	6.00	
Advertising bids	20.00	
Typing and posting warrants	10.00	
Notices of special town meeting	10.50	
Envelopes	2.65	
		69.15

TREASURER

Salary		400.00
Expense:		
Surety bond	64.50	
Stationery and postage	85.59	
Files, forms and supplies	8.28	
Mass. Land Court, petitions and takings	180.00	
Registry of Deeds, recording	16.97	
Safety deposit box	3.30	
		358.64

TAX COLLECTOR

Salary		500.00
Expense:		
Surety bond	110.00	
Bond for Deputy Collector	10.00	
Postage	81.08	
Printing bills, stationery, etc.	56.60	
Books, forms and supplies	14.82	
Advertising delinquent taxes	17.00	
To Collector for preparing deeds	10.00	
		299.50

ACCOUNTANT

Salary		500.00
Expense:		
Books, forms and schedules	14.25	
Files and supplies	7.31	
Traveling	12.00	
Postage	4.00	
		37.56

ASSESSORS

Walter D. Farrar, Chairman	166.24	
Benjamin P. Poor, Clerk	140.80	
Joseph R. Arlin	91.00	
Books and forms	60.69	
Benjamin P. Poor, Clerk	140.80	
Postage	6.00	
Abstracts, deeds and probates	16.41	
		481.14
Assessors' Map Project:		
Leonard K. Dodge, preparing form 301 and following through to final approval		20.00

TOWN CLERK

Salary	100.00

Expense:		
Surety bond	5.00	
Stationery and postage	25.50	
Books ,blanks and forms	15.01	
Notice to dog owners	1.00	
		46.51

TOWN COUNSEL

To Earle S. Bagley:		
Execution of M. A. Homer deed and recording	6.00	
Drawing final settlement, Rossi vs. Town of Townsend	5.00	
Preparing opinion for Selectmen regarding Fire Dept. establishment 1860 to date	10.00	
Easements for water pipe purposes	4.00	
Drawing deed of sale and checking records	5.00	
Handling case for O.A.A. Bureau	25.00	
		55.00

ELECTION AND REGISTRATION

Election officers, annual meeting		32.87	
Registrars, regular meetings		15.31	
1025 ballots and folding		28.00	
Printing Yes and No ballots		5.20	
Notices to voters		4.50	
Special canvas of men and women:			
John E. O'Brien	46.50		
Julia Altmiller	6.90		
R. A. Copeland and car	25.64		
Preparing lists for assessors	16.80		
Canvassing blanks and forms	7.75		
		103.59	
			189.47

CERTIFYING TOWN NOTES

Director of Accounts, 7 notes		14.00

WORKS PROGRESS ADMINISTRATION EXPENSE

Lilla M. Seaver for certification		105.75
Fire Hazard Elimination Project		
E. S. Bagley, services and easements	33.16	
George F. Tenney, easements	11.90	
W. T. MacMasters, easements	6.50	
Leon S. Marshall, use of car	192.00	
J. H. Sullivan, use of car	76.00	
R. F. Powell, tools	22.70	
John Robichaud, trucking	2.50	
Albert Wyman, filing saws	5.65	
		350.41
Water Holes Project		
E. S. Bagley, easements	5.00	
R. F. Powell, tools	6.15	
A. E. Crocker, sharpening	1.60	
W. A. Greer, gas and oil	1.28	
Benjamin Foster Co., grout	46.00	
R. A. Elliott, screened sand	6.00	
Smith Grain Store, cement	13.00	
C. L. Webster, cement	70.00	
		236.56
Roads, Farm to Market Project		
Trucking:		
John Robichaud	121.39	
Lauri Mattila	118.13	
Mervin Wares	53.76	
Roy A. Elliott	56.24	
		349.52

Seminary Hall		
A. A. Koykka, preparing hall for use	6.00	
Total W. P. A. Expense		1,048.24

WEST TOWNSEND READING ROOM

Myrtle N. Tumber, for care	144.00	
John Robichaud, coal	10.00	
Damon & Richardson, coal	27.00	
Light	7.66	
O. B. Mudgett, bricks, ashgrate and frame	4.81	
G. L. Whitcomb Co., insurance	29.56	
		223.03

SEMINARY HALL

Insurance	32.40	
Light	18.76	
Supplies	2.76	
		53.92

MEMORIAL HALL

Janitor	480.00	
Insurance	225.67	
Coal	181.54	
Wood	120.00	
Light	90.18	
Water	20.00	
Supplies	18.15	
Hose, nozzle and hardware	12.95	
Carburetor for mower	7.95	
Boiler parts and welding	4.70	
P. L. Broschart, plumbing	5.50	
Repairs to leaded glass	10.75	
Special cleaning after shingling	9.60	

Carting ashes	2.00	
Song Writers' license	10.00	
		1,198.99
Special Shingling, Memorial Hall		
F. M. Johnson Lumber Co., Cont.	1,010.00	
O. B. Thibault Co., Side Cupola	25.00	
		1,035.00

PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

POLICE

January 1 to March 22:		
Howard B. Morse	73.36	
Ira D. Carleton	26.37	
Richard A. Keefe	4.97	
Arthur A. Koykka	4.49	
William Taubert, Spaulding School	72.00	
Alvina Bushnel, police matron	5.80	
	186.99	
March 22 to December 31:		
Howard B. Morse, perm. officer	1,140.00	
Howard B. Morse, use of car	85.00	
Arthur A. Koykka	88.13	
Howard L. Doran	45.05	
Richard A. Keefe	7.00	
William Taubert, special school	9.00	
Special police	14.85	
Wiring for police signal	19.67	
Cartridges	1.00	
Telephones	98.54	
		1,695.23

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Firemen's salaries:		
Chief	50.00	

3 men at $60	180.00	
26 men at $20	520.00	
All other	56.67	
	806.67	
Salaries held for G. L. Whitcomb Co.	305.00	
		1,111.67
General expense:		
Services of firemen	202.75	
Special labor at stations	10.60	
General insurance	53.49	
Insurance on apparatus	12.00	
Fuel	143.18	
Water	60.00	
Light	30.34	
Telephones	33.65	
Equipment and repairs	149.05	
Supplies	40.90	
Bids for Coal	5.00	
Gasoline and oil	27.79	
Postage	2.00	
Carting ashes	1.25	
		772.00
Forest Fires		
Services of men at fires	336.00	
Repairing glass	7.50	
		343.50
Special Fire Department Appropriations		
Am. LaFrance-Foamite Corp., new hose		680.32
W. E. Grimes, new tires Harbor truck		105.00

MOTH SUPPRESSION

William W. Copeland	152.00
Stanley Rowell	48.00

Arsenate of lead	63.83	
Repairs to sprayer	19.04	
Albert C. Powell for damage	7.60	
Gasoline and oil	4.31	
		398.28

TREE WARDEN

William W. Copeland	51.00	
Robert Dudley	48.00	
		99.00

PRUNING ELMS

William W. Copeland	35.50	
L. H. Staples	62.90	
Robert Dudley	1.50	
		99.90

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Salary of Sealer, Ralph T. Kilbourn	75.00	
Insurance on equipment	7.08	
W. & L. E. Gurley, die and matrix	4.61	
Robinson waterproof cloth seals	4.06	
Duplicate field record book	1.75	
		92.50

HEALTH AND SANITATION

BOARD OF HEALTH

Middlesex Co., Tuberculosis Sanitorium	82.50	
Dr. R. S. Ely, fumigation and disinfecting	25.00	
		107.50

NASHOBA ASSOCIATED BOARDS OF HEALTH

Townsend's share of 1939 expense		680.00

TOWN NURSE

Salary and use of car	1,400.00	
(School contributes $700)		
Harry L. Scott, Inc., nursing supplies	49.98	
Equipment	5.51	
		1,455.49

INSPECTION OF MEAT AND ANIMALS

Lyman A. Cook, services and expense		63.35

DOG OFFICER

To Arthur B. Borneman:		
Investigation, strays and nuisances	14.00	
Custody and disposal	12.00	
To Howard B. Doran:		
Custody and disposal	12.00	
Press notices to dog owners	4.50	
		42.50

VITAL STATISTICS

Physicians, 5 birth returns	1.25	
Ernest G. Wilson, death returns	5.75	
Town Clerk, records to state	66.50	
		73.50

TOWN DUMP

William T. MacMaster for care		125.00

HIGHWAYS

(See Highway Superintendant's report for details of labor and trucking)

ROAD REPAIRS, STATE SUPERVISION, CHAP. 81

Town paying	$5,325.00		
State paying	10,650.00		
	$15,975.00		
Labor		5,247.25	
Trucks		2,651.25	
Roy A. Elliott, gravel		3,145.50	
Roy A. Elliott, sand		249.40	
New England Culvert Company		219.47	
Socony Company, asphalt		3,780.17	
Koppers Company, Tarvia		220.80	
W. A. Greer, paint		24.20	
State Prison Colony, signs		3.55	
State credits to Machinery Fund		432.95	
Unexpended balance to Highway Aid		.46	
			15,975.00

SPECIAL MAINTENANCE, CHAPTER 90
(Lunenburg, Brookline and Mason Roads)

State paying	$2,000.00		
County paying	2,000.00		
Town paying	2,000.00		
Labor		1,854.25	
Trucks		768.75	
Roy A. Elliott, gravel		537.00	
Roy A. Elliott, sand		166.80	
Roy A. Elliott, pea stone		244.23	
Socony Company, asphalt		1,367.57	
Koppers Company, tarvia		772.49	
New England Metal Culvert Co.		110.61	
W. A. Greer, paint		48.40	
Clarence L. Webster, paint		6.00	
State credits to Machinery Fund		123.90	
			$6,000.00

WARREN AND MASON ROADS CONST. CHAP. 90

State paying	$2,000.00	
County paying	1,000.00	
Town paying	969.40	
Unexpended balance on Warren Road 1938		$3,969.40

WARREN ROAD

Labor	953.80	
Trucks	392.25	
Roy A. Elliott, gasoline shovel	288.00	
Roy A. Elliott, gravel	1,646.20	
Roy A. Elliott, sand	21.00	
George Pierce, roller	303.00	
Socony Company, asphalt	307.17	
Clarence L. Webster, cement	11.20	
Benjamin Foster Co., stone	16.00	
New Eng. Culvert Co., guard rail	30.62	
Unexpended balance to Highway Aid	.16	
		3,969.40

The $1,900 received from the State (Chapter 500, Acts of 1938) and $100 appropriated by the town for new construction in 1939, total $2,000 were not needed on this account as no new contracts for construction were given. Therefore, the Commissioner of Taxation authorized the assessors to use this amount instead to reduce the tax levy of 1939.

BRIDGES AND VILLAGE STREETS

Labor	299.38
Trucks	110.00
New Eng. Culvert Co.	101.78
Damon & Richardson, sawing lumber	106.48
Vernon Smith, sawing lumber	3.00
Benjamin Foster Co., stone	81.50
R. F. Powell, supplies	22.85
New Eng. Concrete Pipe	23.97
Explosive Supply Company	7.50
Clarence L. Webster, cement	7.70
Smith Grain Store, cement	3.25

State Prison Colony, posts	14.30	
G. L. Whitcomb., insurance	19.21	
		800.92

SNOW REMOVAL

Trucks	1,588.17	
Labor	392.45	
Roy A. Elliott, sand	66.12	
Walter D. Farrar, sand	5.80	
Arthur E. Crocker, repairs	49.30	
Dyar Sales Company, repairs	12.00	
Sunshine Store, salt	74.00	
		2,187.84
Special Snow Removal, Previous Year		
Emery Wyman		6.80

STREET LIGHTING

Contract, Fitchburg Gas & Elec. Light Co.		1,749.36

MACHINERY ACCOUNT

Arthur E. Crocker, repairs	64.50	
E. C. Fessenden, repairs and gasoline	64.10	
W. A. Greer, gasoline and supplies	137.18	
R. F. Powell, tools and supplies	43.92	
C. L. Webster, gasoline and supplies	11.38	
W. A. Aldrich, repairs	10.00	
Anchor Steel Co., grader blade	19.49	
Security Fence Co., road drag	13.10	
B. & M. R. R., freight	26.38	
Dyar Sales & Mach. Co., parts	23.63	
Dyar Sales & Mach. Co., rent on account of power grader	750.00	
		1,163.68

STORAGE BUILDING, Special Account		
Howard A. Terrell, labor	63.75	
Albert Terrell, labor	13.00	
Emery Wyman, slate	24.50	
Corey Electric Co., wiring supplies	15.01	
F. J. Tenney, bulbs and fuses	1.20	
R. F. Powell, hardware	13.48	
		130.94

PUBLIC WELFARE

BOARD OF WELFARE		
Salaries:		
Clare F. Creighton, Chairman	250.00	
Lilla M. Seaver	125.00	
Francis N. Boutelle	125.00	
		500.00
Expense:		
Stationery, forms and postage	33.80	
Telephone	1.25	
Steel filing set	12.95	
Typewriter	35.00	
Traveling:		
Clare F. Creighton	16.50	
Lilla M. Seaver	3.50	
Francis N. Boutelle	5.00	
		108.00
RELIEF		
Local Cases:		
Provisions and supplies	484.84	
Fuel	69.34	
Electricity	19.41	
Clothing	4.70	
Surplus Commodities Dist.	90.10	
Opening grave	10.00	

Board		605.00	
Hospital and medical care		514.50	
State institutions		260.71	
		2,058.60	
Outside Relief: (Full reimbursement)			
Provisions and supplies	111.39		
Fuel	15.64		
Rent	35.00		
Electricity	3.30		
Clothing	8.79		
AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN			
(Formerly called Mothers' Aid)			
1-3 reimbursement due from state			
Cash payments		2,424.00	
Eye glasses		10.00	
			2,434.00
Federal Grant for Administration A.D.C.			
Clare F. Creighton			31.50
AMANDA E. DWIGHT FUND FOR POOR			
Burial		80.00	
Burbank Hospital for child		20.00	
			100.00
INFIRMARY			
Waldo B. Newell, Supt.		900.00	
Medical care	9.00		
Cash payments	240.00		
Temp. aid (State cases)	771.56		
		1,194.68	
			3,253.28
Special Relief, Previous Years' Bills:			
City of Framingham			197.89

Other labor, plowing, cutting, hauling	64.00	
Groceries and provisions	417.86	
Miscellaneous supplies for house	40.73	
Medical care	22.00	
Fuel	111.75	
Clothing	9.17	
Electricity	50.45	
Telephone	36.84	
Fertilizer, grain and seed	217.42	
Slaughtering	3.25	
Blacksmith	4.00	
Balance on cow	20.00	
Ice	30.78	
Insurance	61.49	
State inspection of boiler	5.00	
Taxes to Ashby	4.18	
		1,998.92

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

BUREAU OF OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Salaries and expense:		
Lilla M. Seaver, Agent	250.10	
Clare F. Creighton, Secretary	125.60	
Hugh R. Thatcher	65.60	
Forms, postage and files	30.40	
		471.70

GENERAL O. A. A. EXPENSE

Semi-monthly payrolls	25,671.00
Town of Groton	109.17
Town of Athol	115.92
City of Fitchburg	4.50
Refunded to State	363.67
Hospital and medical care	954.04

Returned to Administration Acct.	50.00	
		27,268.30

SOLDIERS' BENEFITS

SOLDIERS' RELIEF		
Groceries and provisions		18.03
MILITARY AID		
Veteran's payments		120.00
STATE AID		
To Veteran's widows	150.00	
Burial	110.00	
		260.00

SCHOOLS

GENERAL SCHOOL EXPENSE		
Superintendent's salary	$1,101.34	
Supt.'s traveling exp.	113.91	
Supt. office exp.	35.61	
Clerk	76.16	
School Committee's exp.	44.21	
		1,371.23
Teachers and supervisors	16,922.71	
Transfer to House'd Arts Sal.	296.39	
		17,219.10
Transfer to House'd Arts exp.		75.00
Janitors		1,800.00
Text books		602.42
Class-room supplies		1,023.68
Transfer to Town Nurse		700.00
School Physician		80.00
Transportation of pupils		5,938.08
Fuel		636.50

Water rent		100.00	
Light and power		806.02	
Insurance		301.60	
Telephone		83.37	
Miscellaneous operating and supplies		349.05	
Special care of grounds		125.83	
All other miscellaneous expense		81.57	
Repairs			
Roof	60.84		
Seats	53.37		
Refinishing desks	50.00		
Metal doors	17.50		
Urinals	198.00		
Outside painting	72.85		
Inside painting	83.80		
All other repairs	101.02		
		637.38	
New equipment:			
Skylight covers	78.00		
Cabinets	29.50		
Tables and stools	43.40		
Pilz manikin	24.12		
Physics equipment	61.95		
		236.97	
Total general expense			32,167.80

HOUSEHOLD ARTS COURSE

On salary of instructor			484.49
Expense on Federal Grant Account			4.86
General H. A. Expense:			
Groceries		22.24	
Gas		24.00	
Repairs		2.40	

Books	14.09	
Supplies	10.01	
		72.74

SPECIAL REPAIRS TO SKYLIGHT

Labor, H. A. Terrell	79.06	
Labor Franklyn Terrell	30.60	
Albert Terrell	13.70	
Express	.61	
		123.97

SPECIAL PAINTING

Contract W. J. Handley Co.		1,150.00

LIBRARY

GENERAL LIBRARY EXPENSE

Salaries:		
Evelyn L. Warren, Librarian	600.00	
Hattie M. Davis, Assistant	16.00	
Robert A. Copeland, Janitor	240.00	
Insurance	131.47	
Books	139.31	
Binding	73.04	
Periodicals	40.90	
Supplies	22.28	
Petty cash	7.00	
Trucking ashes	4.00	
		1,274.00

AMANDA E. DWIGHT MAINTENATCE FUND

Books	34.32
Fuel	196.89
Light	63.99

Water	20.00	
Re-finishing floors	18.00	
Lightning rod repairs	12.73	
Recovering awning	12.00	
Boiler inspection	5.00	
Special cleaning	6.30	
Laundering draperies	2.11	
Painting urns	4.00	
Chair	4.75	
100 yards cheesecloth	2.78	
Water gauges and glass	1.98	
Bulbs	1.95	
Broom	1.10	
		387.90

CHARLES EMERY LIBRARY FUND

Books	12.91

MALVINA P. AUGUR GIFT FOR LIBRARY

Books	13.31

RECREATION AND UNCLASSIFIED

PARKS

Electric lights on Common	3.38	
Albert Powell, mowing	6.00	
Repairs to lawn mower	2.00	
		11.38

J. BIRNEY BLOOD FUND

Labor on Common:	
Wm. T. MacMaster	32.55
Robert MacMaster	6.45
Jesse Lillibridge	14.40
William Dudley	5.80
Robert Dudley	5.20
Enno Wiik	.50

Frank Holyoke	2.00	
Straightening tree, S. H. Mitchell	3.50	
P. L. Broschart, repairing fence	17.00	
Bartlett Tree Expert Company	98.25	
		185.65

HOWARD PARK

S. H. Mitchell, removing stumps	170.00	
William S. Dudley	3.20	
		173.20

SPECIAL UPPER PARK

Bids for sidewalk	5.50	
E. S. Bagley, securing easement	4.00	
Omer L. Marquis, cement sidewalk	265.00	
		274.50

MEMORIAL DAY OBSERVANCE

To Memorial Association		100.00

BAND CONCERTS

To Townsend Band		200.00

AMANDA E. DWIGHT ENTERTAINMENT FUND

Services of		
Pitt Parker and The Hendersons	80.00	
Embassy Club and Blanche Goldthwaite	120.00	
		200.00

TOWN REPORTS OF 1939

The Banner Press, contract	294.00	
Distribution by selectmen	15.00	
		309.00

COMPENSATION INSURANCE		
G. L. Whitcomb Co.		678.51
PRESERVATION OF HISTORICAL PAPERS		
Emery Record Preserving Company		198.00
MISCELLANEOUS ACCOUNT		
Town office:		
Telephone	88.19	
Stationery and supplies	29.38	
Files and repairs to typewriter	6.70	
Banner Press, printing bill heads	10.00	
Cabinet for vault	12.50	
Typewriter table	5.00	
State forms	13.54	
		165.31
RESERVE FUND Transfers to Sundry accounts (See close of Summary for items)		1,029.54
REFUNDED FOR OVERPAYMENT OF TAXES		316.07
BILLS PAYABLE, 1938 charges		451.72

WATER DEPARTMENT

ANNUAL MAINTENANCE		
Richard A. Keefe, Supt.	1,300.00	
Arthur A. Koykka	50.00	
Superintendent's bond	10.00	
Service labor	359.25	
Service material	602.09	
Hydrants	20.00	
Diesel engine expense	123.45	
Coal	94.60	
Electric power	794.25	
Insurance	53.78	

Equipment and supplies	92.75	
Truck	156.90	
Express and postage	24.45	
Telephone	27.17	
		3,708.69

HYDRANT SERVICE

Paid Water Department	3,480.00

CEMETERIES

GENERAL AND ANNUAL CARE

Secretary, E. C. Morgan	50.00	
Stationery and postage	10.46	
Insurance	6.09	
Water rent, West Townsend	25.00	
Fertilizer, cement and stone	11.45	
Sharpening and repairs to mowers	15.50	
Markers	21.49	
Supplies, hardware and seed	16.58	
Repairs to lowering device	48.85	
Repairs to pushcart and gate	13.00	
Paint	24.00	
*Labor, Center cemetery	274.40	
Labor, West Townsend	72.80	
		589.62

*For details of all cemetery labor see list following

SOLDIERS' GRAVES

Labor, Center	124.20	
Labor, West Townsend	75.80	
		200.00

PERPETUAL CARE OF LOTS

Labor, Center	282.00

Labor, West Townsend	162.60	
Fertilizer and cement	40.95	
		485.55

AMANDA E. DWIGHT CEMETERY FUND

Labor, Center cemetery	125.20	
Water rent, Center	50.00	
Loam and manure	9.00	
Shade trees, Sudbury Nurseries	20.00	
		204.20

JOEL GILES FUND

Labor, Center		61.80

LABOR ANALYSIS ON REGULAR CEMETERY ACCOUNTS

CENTER CEMETERY

E. C. Morgan	297.60	
John Livingston	176.00	
Roy Wright	197.60	
James Smith	72.00	
C. A. Laws	96.80	
Ralph Kilbourn	14.80	
Edmund Wright	12.80	

WEST TOWNSEND CEMETERY

Abbott Hodgman	188.60	
Charles Sherwin	122.60	
Total labor on regular accounts		1,178.80

(See also Special Accounts following)

DEVELOPMENT OF CEMETERY ADDITIONS

Albert E. Terrell, 2 men and stump puller	21.25
Earl Welch, pulling trees and stumps	16.00
Harold Amadon, plowing and harrowing	16.00
Abbott Hodgman	48.80
E. C. Morgan	6.40

Stakes	4.25	
		112.70

HURRICANE DAMAGE IN CEMETERIES

L. H. Staples, labor	95.40	
Uno Tamminen	60.40	
John Robichaud, trucking	32.38	
Lauri Mattila, removing stumps	20.00	
Earl Welch, yarding logs	11.50	
C. A. Laws, loam	14.00	
Sudbury Nurseries, shade trees	30.00	
E. C. Morgan, labor	49.00	
Roy Wright	16.80	
Ralph Kilbourn	10.00	
H. H. Barlow	40.00	
A. C. Hodgman	76.00	
Supplies	5.55	
		461.03

CEMETERY FLORAL FUNDS

Memorial Day flowers for lots:	
Henry A. Miner fund	1.50
Annice M. Gilson fund	2.25
Ai Richards fund	1.00
Gustavur Anderson fund	1.00

TAXES

TO THE COMMONWEALTH

Annual tax	6,840.00	
Auditing tax	53.26	
Parks and reservations	106.96	

TO THE COUNTY

Annual tax	3,266.06	
Tuberculosis Hosp. assessments	1,225.76	
Dog licenses collected by T. Clerk	550.20	
		12,042.24

INTEREST		
On revenue notes	120.84	
On water bonds and notes	3,942.50	
		4,063.34
INDEBTEDNESS		
Temporary Loans		
In anticipation of taxes	50,000.00	
Tax title redemptions paid to state on tax title loan	1,042.51	
		51,042.51
Town Debt		
Water bond issue, annual	5,000.00	
Water system extension	1,000.00	
		6,000.00
TRUST FUNDS		
Deposited in Savings Banks		
Cemetery perpetual care		400.00
Total charges for the year		206,722.74
TRANSFERS		
Accounts payable, 1939 charges	752.07	
Reserve fund to sundry accounts	1,029.54	
Schools to Town Nurse	700.00	
Schools to Household Arts salary	296.39	
Schools to Household Arts expense	75.00	
Highway accounts to Road Mach. fund	556.85	
O. A. A. to O. A. A. Administration	50.00	
Highway accounts to Highway Aid	.62	
Total to be deducted (not cash items)		3,460.47
Total cash payments for the year		203,262.27
Cash on hand, December 31, 1939		24,405.25
GRAND TOTAL		227,667.52

SUMMARY OF DEPARTMENTAL ACCOUNTS

	Receipts Appropriations Transfers	Payments	Balance
GENERAL GOVERNMENT			
Moderator	10.00	10.00	
Selectmen's salaries	550.00	550.00	
Selectmen's expense	100.00	69.15	30.85
Treasurer's Salary	400.00	400.00	
*Treasurer's expense	373.38	358.64	14.74
Tax Collector's salary	500.00	500.00	
Tax Collector's expense	300.00	299.50	.50
Accountant's salary	500.00	500.00	
Accountant's expense	40.00	37.56	2.44
Assessors' serv. and exp.	600.00	481.14	118.86
Assessors' map projest	500.00	20.00	480.00
Town Clerk's salary	100.00	100.00	
Town Clerk's expense	50.00	46.51	3.49
Town Counsel	100.00	55.00	45.00
Election and registration	250.00	189.47	60.53
Certifying town notes	20.00	14.00	6.00
W. P. A. Administration	3,943.61	1,048.24	2,895.37
Seminary Hall	100.00	53.92	46.08
Memorial Hall	1,200.00	1,198.99	1.01
Memorial Hall shingling	1,035.00	1,035.00	
W. T. Reading Room	225.00	223.03	1.97
PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY			
Police	1,800.00	1,695.23	104.77
Firemen's salaries	1,135.00	1,111.67	23.33
Fire Dept. expense	800.00	772.00	28.00
Forest fires	500.00	343.50	156.50
New hose	700.00	680.32	19.68
New tires, Hbr. truck	140.00	105.00	35.00
Special new hose & repairs	500.00	———	500.00
Moth suppression	400.00	398.28	1.72

Tree warden	100.00	99.00	1.00
Pruning elms	100.00	99.90	.10
*Sealer of W. & M.	92.50	92.50	
Bounties	10.00	———	10.00

HEALTH AND SANITATION

Board of Health	150.00	107.50	42.50
Nashoba Health District	680.00	680.00	
*Town nurse	1,500.00	1,455.49	44.51
*Vital statistics	73.50	73.50	
*Inspection meat & animals	63.35	63.35	
Dog officer	50.00	42.50	7.50
Vaccine for rabies	50.00	———	50.00
Town dump	125.00	125.00	

HIGHWAYS

*Chap. 81 road repairs	15,975.00	15,975.00	
Main., various roads	6,000.00	6,000.00	
*Warren Rd. Const.	3,969.40	3,969.40	
Bridges & Vil. Sts.	1,000.00	800.92	199.08
Snow removal	2,500.00	2,187.84	312.16
Street lighting	1,749.45	1,749.36	.09
Canal Bridge, T. Harbor	1,500.00	———	1,500.00
Road Mach. account	4,504.66	1,163.68	3,340.98
Road Mach. fund	950.40	393.55	556.85
Bow Street sidewalk	100.00	———	100.00
Highway storage building	141.47	130.94	10.53
Harbor bridge	778.16	———	778.16
Old bill, snow removal	6.80	6.80	

PUBLIC WELFARE

Salaries of Board	500.00	500.00	
*Expense of Board	108.00	108.00	
Infirmary	2,000.00	1,998.92	1.08
Relief	4,500.00	3,253.28	1,246.72
Relief, previous years	197.89	197.89	
*Aid Dependent Children	2,523.21	2,434.00	89.21
Federal A.D.C. Adm.	44.55	31.50	13.05

Dwight fund for poor	705.28	100.00	605.28
Spaulding & Wilson poor fds	23.33	———	23.33
OLD AGE ASSISTANCE			
*General O. A. A. expense	27,269.80	27,268.30	1.50
*Fed. O.A.A. Admin.	482.57	471.70	10.87
SOLDIERS' BENEFITS			
Soldiers' relief	80.00	18.03	61.97
Military aid	120.00	120.00	
*State aid	260.00	260.00	
SCHOOLS			
*General exp. & Voc. Ed.	32,200.00	32,167.80	32.20
Vocational tuition	75.00	———	75.00
*Household Arts salary	484.49	484.49	
*Household Arts expense	75.00	72.74	2.26
Federal H. A. expense	10.26	4.86	5.40
Repairs to skylight	250.00	123.97	126.03
Drain project	600.00	———	600.00
Painting, 1939	1,150.00	1,150.00	
Spec. Appro. for painting	1,000.00	———	1,000.00
LIBRARY			
General expense	1,275.00	1,274.00	1.00
M. P. Augur gift	13.31	13.31	
Dwight maintenance fund	642.13	387.90	254.23
Emery library fund	12.91	12.91	
RECREATION AND UNCLASSIFIED			
Parks, general	25.00	11.38	13.62
Blood Monument fund	347.62	185.65	161.97
Howard Park	220.00	173.20	46.80
Special Upper park	343.81	274.50	69.31
Band Concerts	200.00	200.00	
Memorial Day	100.00	100.00	
Town reports of 1938	309.00	309.00	
*Compensation insurance	678.51	678.51	

Preservation hist. papers	200.00	198.00	2.00
Agent Tax title Posses.	89.00	———	89.00
Dwight enter. fund	633.86	200.00	433.86
Abram S. French fund	156.25	———	156.25
Miscellaneous account	200.00	165.31	34.69
*Reserve fund, Fin. Com.	2,000.00	1,029.54	970.46
State and county taxes	14,937.21	14,924.89	12.32
WATER DEPARTMENT			
*Annual maintenance	3,710.00	3,708.69	1.31
Hydrant service	3,480.00	3,480.00	
Painting water tank	800.00	———	800.00
Overhauling Diesel engine	200.00	———	200.00
CEMETERIES			
General & annual care	600.00	589.62	10.38
Soldiers' graves	200.00	200.00	
Hurricane damage	461.50	461.03	.47
Repairs to tomb-houses and grading	300.00	———	300.00
Perpetual care of lots	850.80	485.55	365.25
Dwight cemetery fund	330.34	204.20	126.14
Giles cemetery fund	92.30	61.80	30.50
Tucker cemetery fund	25.69	———	25.69
Miner floral fund	4.50	1.50	3.00
Gilson floral fund	4.79	2.25	2.54
Richards floral fund	3.00	1.00	2.00
Anderson floral fund	3.33	1.00	2.33
Sales cemetery lots fund	503.20	200.00	303.20
Development of additions	200.00	112.70	87.30
INTEREST			
On general loans	250.00	120.84	129.16
On water bonds	3,942.50	3,942.50	
MATURING DEBT			
Water bond issue	5,000.00	5,000.00	
Water extensions	1,000.00	1,000.00	
	$178,046.62	157,988.64	20,057.98

TRANSFERS

Reserve Fund to

Treasurer's expense	123.38	
Memorial Hall shingling	135.00	
Sealer of W. & M.	2.50	
Vital statistics	3.50	
Inspection, meat and animals	3.35	
Board of welfare expense	8.00	
Aid dependent children	253.00	
Old age assistance	342.30	
State aid	20.00	
Compensation insurance	28.51	
Water maintenance	110.00	
		1,029.54

Surplus revenue to

Painting water tank	800.00	
Overhauling Diesel engine	200.00	
W. P. A. Expense	1,500.00	
Canal Bridge, Townsend Hbr.	1,500.00	
Fire hose and repairs to apparatus	500.00	
Machinery Account	3,000.00	
Relief bills of previous years	197.89	
Special school painting	1,000.00	
Tomb-houses & grading	300.00	
		$8,997.89

Schools to Town Nurse	700.00
Schools to Household Arts salary	296.39
Schools to Household Arts expense	75.00
O. A. A. to O. A. A. Administration	50.00
Highway Accounts to Highway Aid	.62

GENERAL SUMMARY

Unexpended balances on departmental accounts		$20,057.98
Less balance carried forward:		
Appropriation Accounts		
Assessors' map	480.00	
W. P. A. Expense	2,895.37	
Special fire hose and repairs	500.00	
Townsend Harbor bridge balance	778.16	
Canal Bridge, Townsend Harbor	1,500.00	
Road machinery account	3,340.98	
Road machinery fund	556.85	
Fed. grant, Aid Dep. Children	89.21	
Fed. grant, A. D. C. Adm.	13.05	
Fed. grant, Old Age Assist.	1.50	
Fed. grant, O. A. A. Adm.	10.87	
Fed. grant, Sp. H. A. Sch. Exp.	5.40	
School drain project	600.00	
Special painting, Schools	1,000.00	
Howard Park	46.80	
Agent, tax title possessions	89.00	
Painting water tank	800.00	
Overhauling Diesel engine	200.00	
Tomb-houses, repairs & grading	300.00	
Cemetery development	87.30	
	13,294.49	
Income from Trust Funds	2,194.34	
Sales, Cemetery Lots fund	303.20	
Overestimate, state parks & res.	12.32	
Total balances carried forward		15,804.35
Net unexpended appropriation balances		4,253.63
Add surplus of 1939 and previous years		16,407.11
TOTAL SURPLUS REVENUE, DEC. 31, 1939		$20,660.74

Respectfully submitted,

Gertrude S. Copeland, Town Accountant.

STATEMENT OF TRUST FUNDS

Cemetery Perpetual Care of Lots		
Amount on deposit December 31, 1938		29,404.00
Added during 1939:		
Thomas M. Copeland lot	$100.00	
G. T. and G. F. Powell lot	100.00	
Charles E. Farrar lot	100.00	
Matthew J. Helleur lot	100.00	
		$400.00
Total perpetual care funds, Dec. 31, 1939		$29,804.00
Other Cemetery Funds (See Balance Sheet)		2,950.00
Spaulding and Wilson Funds for Worthy Poor		634.00
Abram S. French Fund		5,000.00
M. E. Homer Fund for West T. Reading Room		5,000.00
Charles Emery Library Fund		500.00
John Birney Blood Monument Fund,		5,055.85
Maria L. Lane School Fund, Dec. 31, 1938	1,511.83	
Accrued interest added in 1939	47.82	1,559.65
Total funds in custody of Town Treasurer		50,503.50
Amanda E. Dwight Funds		
For Poor, (Gain in 1939, $10.62)	9,053.90	
For Library (Loss in 1939, $260.26)	10,654.31	
For Entertainments (Loss in 1939 $205.27)	8,499.41	
For Cemetery (Unchanged in 1939)	6,388.10	
Total funds in custody of N. E. Trust Co.		34,595.72
TOTAL TRUST FUNDS, December 31, 1939		$85,099.22

Balance Sheet, December 31, 1939

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

ASSETS

Cash in Townsend National Bank		$ 24,405.25
Uncollected taxes:		
Levy of 1938	$ 13,828.02	
Levy of 1939	28,271.48	
		42,099.50
M. V. Excise, 1939		93.57
Uncollected water rates		532.84
Tax titles	3,348.13	
Tax title possessions	258.06	
		3,606.19
Accounts receivable:		
State and County aid to highways		724.14
Welfare, relief	1,727.60	
Old age assistance	307.05	
Schools	13.00	
State aid	260.00	
Military aid	120.00	
Cemeteries	271.50	
		2,699.15
Expenditures in anticipation of reimbursement from State and County:		
Chapter 81, Highways		403.04
Chapter 90, Maintenance		321.56
Overdrafts:		
For abatement of taxes, 1935		.70
		$74,885.94

LIABILITIES

Accounts payable	752.07
Loans in anticipation of taxes	20,000.00
Loans, anticipation highway reimbursement	5,000.00
Balances carried forward:	
Appropriation accounts	13,294.49
Income from trust funds	2,194.34
Sales, cemetery lots fund	303.20
Overestimate, State Parks and Reservations	12.32
Surplus overlay reserve	640.42
Reserves for abatements:	
Overlay of 1938	1,126.22
Overlay of 1939	745.79
Tax title loan to reduce levy of 1940	2,500.00
Revenue not available until collected:	
Departmental revenue	2,699.15
M. V. Excise revenue	93.57
Water revenue	532.84
Tax title revenue	3,606.19
Aids to highways, revenue	724.60
SURPLUS REVENUE, Dec. 31, 1939	20,660.74
	$74,885.94

DEBT ACCOUNTS

Net funded debt	$112,231.97	Water system construction	109,000.00
		Water system extensions	1,000.00
		Tax title loan to reduce tax levy	2,231.97

TRUST ACCOUNTS

In custody of Town Treasurer	50,503.50	Cemetery perpetual care funds	29,804.00
In custody of N. E. Trust Co., Boston,	34,595.72	Joel Giles cemetery fund	2,000.00
	$85,099.22	James H. Tucker cemetery fund	500.00
		Henry A. Miner floral fund	100.00
		Annice M. Gilson floral fund	150.00
		Ai Richards floral fund	100.00
		Gustavus Anderson floral fund	100.00
		Susan Emery Wilson worthy poor fund	334.00
		Harriet Spaulding worthy poor fund	300.00
		Charles Emery library fund	500.00
		J. Birney Blood monument fund	5,055.85
		Maria L. Lane School fund	1,559.65
		M. E. Homer fund for W. T. Reading Room	5,000.00
			$50,503.50
		Abram S. French fund	5,000.00
		Amanda E. Dwight Funds	
		For care of the poor	9,053.90
		For library maintenance	10,654.31
		For concerts and lectures	8,499.41
		For the cemetery	6,388.10
			$85,099.22

STATEMENT OF OUTSTANDING BONDS AND NOTES, DECEMBER 31, 1939

TEMPORARY LOANS		
In Anticipation of Highway reimbursement:		
Issued November 1, 1939—Due May 1, 1940—Rate 0.45%	$ 5,000.00	
In anticipation of taxes:		
Issued July 1, 1939—Due June 14, 1940—Rate 0.295%	10,000.00	
Issued November 1, 1939—Due Oct. 1, 1940—Rate 0.45%	10,000.00	
Total Temporary Loans		$ 25,000.00
TOWN DEBT		
Water Extensions of 1936:		
Issued Sept. 15, 1936—Due Sept. 15, 1940—Rate 2%		1,000.00
Water System Construction:		
Bonds issued June 1, 1934, Rate 3.50%		
$5,000 due annually, June 1, 1940 to June 1, 1948	45,000.00	
$4,000 due annually June 1, 1949 to June 1, 1964	64,000.00	
Total loan for water system construction		$109,000.00
Loans on Tax Titles held by Town:		
Unpaid balance of previous issues, Jan. 1, 1939	$ 774.48	
Issued May 29, 1939—Due May 29, 1940	2,500.00	
	3,274.48	
Paid in 1939 as tax titles were redeemed	1,042.51	
Balance unpaid on tax title Loans		$ 2,231.97

List of Jurors, Town of Townsend

1939-1940

Name	Occupation	Address
Adams, Harold C.	Millhand	Townsend
Curtis, George C.	Machanist	West Townsend
Copeland, Robert A.	Janitor	Townsend
Cowdrey, Rouy M.	Barber	Townsend
Ely, K. Raymond	Bookkeeper	West Townsend
Greer, Willard A.	Storekeeper	Townsend
Hamilton, Frank J.	Farmer	West Townsend
Hill, Hugh J.	Millhand	Townsend
Johnson, Hjalmar	Truck driver	Townsend
Johnson, Charles K.	Printer	Townsend
Leonard, Walter F.	Millhand	Townsend
Leaman, Everett L.	Stave-sawyer	Townsend
Morse, Howard B.	Cooper	Townsend
Merrill, Harry W.	Millhand	Townsend
O'Brien, John E.	Cooper	Townsend
Powell, George V.	Cooper	Townsend
Rusk, Richard E.	Stonemason	West Townsend
Reynolds, Charles H.	Workman	West Townsend
Swicker, Aden J.	Millhand	Townsend
Wilson, Herbert A.	Millwright	Townsend
Walsh, Charles A.	Millhand	Townsend
Wright, Roy E.	Clerk	Townsend
Wyman, Albert B.	Workman	West Townsend

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Annual Budget

SUMMARY OF BUDGET EXPENDITURES 1939

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

	Appropria. Receipts & Transfers	Expended	Recomen. for 1940 By Dept. and Fin. Com.	
Moderator	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00
Selectmen's Salaries	550.00	550.00	550.00	550.00
Selectmen's Expense	100.00	69.15	100.00	100.00
Treasurer's Salary	400.00	400.00	400.00	400.00
Treasurer's Expense	373.38	358.64	400.00	400.00
Tax Collector's Salary	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00
Tax Collector's Expense	300.00	299.50	300.00	300.00
Accountant's Salary	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00
Accountant's Expense	40.00	37.56	40.00	40.00
Assessor's	600.00	481.14	500.00	500.00
Town Clerk's Salary	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Town Clerk's Expense	50.00	46.51	50.00	50.00
Town Counsel	100.00	55.00	100.00	100.00
Election and Registration	250.00	189.47	375.00	375.00
Certifying town notes	20.00	14.00	20.00	20.00
Memorial Hall	1,200.00	1,198.99	1,300.00	1,200.00
Seminary Hall	100.00	53.92	75.00	75.00
W. Townsend Read. Rm.	225.00	223.03	100.00	100.00
Homer Fund $125.00				
Appropriation $100.00				

PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

Police	1,800.00	1,695.23	2,100.00	
Firemen's Salaries	1,135.00	1,111.67	1,055.00	1,055.00
Fire Dept. Expense	800.00	772.00	900.00	800.00
Forest Fires	500.00	343.50	600.00	500.00
Moth Suppression	400.00	398.28	989.18	200.00
Tree Warden	100.00	99.00	100.00	100.00
Pruning Elms	100.00	99.90	100.00	100.00
Sealer of W. & M.	92.50	92.50	95.00	95.00
Bounties	10.00		10.00	10.00

HEALTH AND SANITATION

Board of Health	150.00	107.50	150.00	150.00
Nashoba Health Dist.	680.00	680.00	680.00	680.00
Town Nurse	1,500.00	1,455.49	800.00	800.00
Appropriation $800.00				
School $700.00				
Vital Statistics	73.50	73.50	70.00	70.00
Inspect. Meat & Animals	63.35	63.35	65.00	65.00
Dog Officer	50.00	42.50	50.00	50.00
Vaccine for rabies	50.00		50.00	50.00
Town Dump	125.00	125.00	125.00	125.00

HIGHWAYS

Bridges & Village Sts.	1,000.00	800.92	1,000.00	1,000.00
Snow Removal	2,500.00	2,187.84		
Street Lighting	1,749.45	1,749.36	1,749.45	1,749.45

PUBLIC WELFARE

Salaries of Board	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00
Expense of Board	108.00	108.00	100.00	100.00
Infirmary	2,000.00	1,998.92	2,200.00	1,800.00
Relief	4,500.00	3,253.28	4,000.00	4,000.00
Aid to Dep. Child. ap.	2,523.21	2,434.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
Old Age Asst. ap.	27,269.80	27,268.30	15,000.00	15,000.00

SOLDIER'S BENEFITS

Soldier's Relief	80.00	18.03	100.00	100.00
Military Aid	120.00	120.00	100.00	100.00
State Aid	260.00	260.00	120.00	120.00

SCHOOLS

Gen. Exp. & Voc. Ed.	32,200.00	32,167.80	32,500.00	32,200.00
Vocational Tuition	75.00		75.00	75.00

LIBRARY

Gen. Library Expense	1,275.00	1,274.00	833.36	833.36
Appropriation $823.71				
Dog Licenses $451.29				

RECREATION AND UNCLASSIFIED

Parks, general	25.00	11.38	150.00	100.00
Band Concerts	200.00	200.00	200.00	200.00
Memorial Day	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Compensation Insurance	678.51	678.51	675.00	675.00
Town Reports of 1938	309.00	309.00		
Miscellaneous	200.00	165.31	200.00	200.00
Reserve Fund	2,000.00	1,029.54	2,000.00	2,000.00

WATER DEPARTMENT

Annual Maintenance	3,710.00	3,708.69	3,914.00	3,700.00
Hydrant Service	3,480.00	3,480.00	3,480.00	3,480.00

CEMETERIES

General & Annual Care	600.00	589.62	600.00	600.00
Soldiers' Graves	200.00	200.00	200.00	200.00

INTEREST

On Gen. Loans	250.00	120.84	200.00	200.00
On Water Bonds	3,942.50	3,942.50	3,747.50	3,747.50

MATURING DEBT

Water Bond Issue	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
Water System Ext.	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00

Warrant

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS,
Middlesex, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Townsend in said County:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are required to notify and warn the freeholders and other inhabitants of said Town, qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs to meet in Memorial Hall in said Townsend, on March 4, 1940, at eight o'clock A. M. to act on the following articles, viz:

To give in their votes on one ballot for Moderator, three Selectmen, three members of the Board of Public Welfare, three members of the Board of Health, Town Clerk, Town Treasurer, Tax Collector, Tree Warden, two Constables, three Trustees of the Tucker Fund, all for one year; one assessor, two members of the School Committee, one Trustee of the Public Library, one Park Commissioner, one Cemetery Commissioner, one Water Cimmissioner, all to serve for three years; and one member of the School Committee for two years.

The polls will be open at 8 A. M. and may be closed at 4 P. M.

The meeting in town affairs will begin at 11 A. M.

ARTICLE 1. To choose all officers not required by law to be chosen by ballot.

ARTICLE 2. To accept the printed reports of the officers and committees of the town.

ARTICLE 3. To authorize the Town Treasurer to borrow money in anticipation of revenue for the financial year 1940.

ARTICLE 4. To authorize the Town Treasurer to borrow money in anticipation of revenue for the financial year 1941.

ARTICLE 5. To choose an agent, or agents, to prosecute and defend all suits in behalf of the town, with power to employ counsel.

ARTICLE 6. To choose a committee for the suppression of vice and to prosecute the illegal sale of intoxicating liquors in the town.

ARTICLE 7. To decide whether the money refunded to the town on account of dog licenses shall be used for the Public Library or for Schools.

ARTICLE 8. To raise and appropriate money for the several departments of the town, a detailed list of which will be found in the budget included in the report of the selectmen.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to enter into a contract with the Department of Public Works, Division of Highways, that a portion of the sum available under the provisions of Chapter 81 of the General Laws, as amended, be appropriated and expended in Townsend. ($5325.00)

(The Finance Committee approves)

ARTICLE 10. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of the road from the Lunenburg line to the New Hampshire line, and the Mason Road and Warren Road said money to be used in conjunction with any money which may be allocated

by the State or County, or both, for this purpose; or take any other action in relation thereto. ($1500.00)

(The Finance Committee approves)

ARTICLE 11. To see if the town will vote to keep the roads passable for automobiles, so far as practicable, during the winters of 1940 and 1941.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the town will vote to have a permanent police officer. Said officer to be designated as night officer with such hours of duty as may be prescribed by the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the town will vote to have a Police Officer do school policing and to raise and appropriate a sum of money therefor or take any action relating thereto.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the town will appropriate a sum sufficient to pay the County of Middlesex as required by law on account of assessments levied on the town for its share of the principal of the Middlesex County Tuberculosis Hospital Funding Loan, Act of 1932 bonds maturing in 1940, issued in compliance with Chapter 10, Acts of 1932, also for any other indebtedness incurred and outstanding under said Chapter 10, also for the town's share of the cost and interest on said bonds due in 1940, also for the care, maintenance, and repair of said Hospital for 1939 and including interest on temporary notes issued therefor in accordance with sections of Chapter 111 of the General Laws applicable therefor, and for all other expenses in connection therewith, including Chapter 400, Section 25 G (6) (a) of the Acts of 1936, determine how the money shall be raised, or in any way act thereon. ($1263.98)

(The Finance Committee approves)

ARTICLE 15. To see if the town will vote to instruct

the Board of Selectmen to appoint a committee of three annually to be in charge of the Abram S. French Fund as set forth in the last Will and Testament of the late Martha E. Homer or take any action relating thereto.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $1,500.00 to pay the miscellaneous operating expenses of the Work Progress Administration in this town or take any action relating thereto.

(The Finance Committee Approves)

ARTICLE 17. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ($1,000.00) for additional road oil to be used in addition to what ever we are allowed to use out of our regular road appropriation or take any action relating thereto.

(The Finance Committee approves)

ARTICLE 18. That the town authorize the transfer of $556.85 from the Road Machinery Fund to the Road Machinery Account, this being the amount of highway credits given the town in 1939 by the Commonwealth.

(The Finance Committee approves)

ARTICLE 19. Shall Chapter 807 of the Acts of 1913, being an act to provide for Workmen's Compensation Insurance, and Acts in amendment thereof and in addition thereto, be accepted by the inhabitants of this town.

ARTICLE 20. To see if the town will vote to establish the number of firemen at thirty-three, to be divided as follows; fourteen at the Center, fourteen at West Townsend, and five at the Harbor, or take any action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 21. To see if the town will vote to pay the firemen from the time of leaving the station to the time of return, or take any action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 22. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $100.00, for the improvement of the addition to Riverside Cemetery which was given by Roberta C. Homer.

(The Finance Committee approves)

ARTICLE 23. To see if the Town will vote to amend Article 8 of the BY LAWS, RULES AND REGULATIONS of Townsend Cemeteries as approved and adopted July 13, 1895, by adding and inserting after the word "writing" in the second line thereof the following: "Or if the address is unknown, by publication in a newspaper published in Middlesex County once each week for two successive weeks," so that said Article 8 will read as follows:

Owners of neglected lots shall be notified in writing or if their address in unknown, by publication in a newspaper published in Middlesex County once each week for two successive weeks, of their condition, by the Commissioners, whenever, in the judgement of said Commissioners, such lots impair the general appearance of the Cemetery: and in case of such neglect being continued ten days after the expiration of said notice, said Commissioners may, in their discretion, put such lots in order at the expense of the owner or owners thereof, and the said Commissioners may recover, for the use of the town the amount thus expended, with costs, by an action on contract.

ARTICLE 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise a sum of money to extend the water from the house owned by Oscar Mudgett on Elm Street, in West Townsend, to the house of Gardner Elliott on the same Street. This money to be expended in conjunction with a W. P. A. project.

Estimated cost $4720.00.
Water Board does not approve.
Finance Committee does not approve.

ARTICLE 25. To see if the Town will vote to raise a sum of money to extend the water main on Fitchburg Road

from Mapledell Farm to accomodate four houses beyond. Two of the houses are owned by Albert Funaiole, one by Alec Pippen; and one by William Wiljanen. This money to be expended in conjunction with a W. P. A. project.

Estimated cost $4860.00.
Water Board does not approve.
Finance Committee does not approve.

ARTICLE 26. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to extend the water main on Warren Road from the present main to the residence of Clarence LaFountain on Pierce Road in Townsend Harbor, provided the Works Progress Administration will enter into a contract to defray the cost of labor, or take any action relating thereto.

Estimated cost $25,000.00.
Water Board does not approve.
Finance Committee does not approve.

ARTICLE 27. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $50.00 to procure a permanent Christmas Tree, and place the same on the Common in Townsend Center, the same to be appropriately lighted each year under the direction of the Park Commissioners.

ARTICLE. 28 To see if the Town will accept from the Townsend Womans' Club the lights and materials for lighting Christmas Tree.

ARTICLE 29. To see if the Town will vote to accept flag pole and flag presented to them from Mrs. Frank A. through the Park Commissioners from the American Legion a Woods in memory of Leland Woods, who died while serving his country in the World War.

ARTICLE 30. To see if the Town will vote to use the unexpended balance from the Special Harbor Bridge appropriation for other special expense, or take any action relating thereto.

ARTICLE 31. To see if the Town will vote to accept from the estate of Mary F. Barber the sum of $100.00 in trust, the income therefrom to be expended for Perpetual Care of the Arthur Barber Lot in Hillside Cemetery, Townsend. Sec. 1 Lot 45A.

ARTICLE 32. To see if the Town will vote to accept from Agnes M. Woods the sum of $75.00 in trust, the income therefrom to be expended for Perpetual Care of the Frank A. Woods Lot in Hillside Cemetery, Townsend. Sec. 1, Lot 5.

ARTICLE 33. To see if the town will vote to accept from the estate of Minnie C. Farrar the sum of $100 in trust the income therefrom to be expended for the perpetual care of the Charles E. Farrar lot in Riverside Cemetery, Row 6 Lot 29.

ARTICLE 34. To see if the town will vote to accept from Isabel Helleur the sum of $100 in trust, the income therefrom to be expended for the perpetual care of the Matthew Joseph Helleur lot in Riverside Cemetery, Row 2, Lot 32.

ARTICLE 35. To choose committees, to hear reports of Committees, or to act in any way in relation to any of the foregoing articles.

WILLARD A. GREER
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All persons having motions to present to the meeting are requested to file the same in writing with the Town Clerk.

Bring Your Town Report, If You Wish One For Reference At the Town Meeting

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